

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Changing Policy

THE British public was treated to a wide and fairly comprehensive review of the Conservative Party's general aims, intentions and achievements at its annual conference at Bournemouth last week. To the political observer this conference marks an important date in the autumn recess offering, as it does, an indication of the legislative action the Government is planning for the winter session of Parliament.

In recent years the party conference has provided almost as much interest as an election campaign. This is understandable; basic policy is perpetually exposed to certain unpredictable influences; this means fairly constant revision not merely of policy details but often of basic aims and principles. As a result new attitudes are often seen to emerge in the friendly and generally unceremonious atmosphere of these meetings. But invariably the audience is a far larger one than the assembled delegates.

THE party leaders seek the support of the nation and their speeches invariably have a national rather than sectional appeal. Thus Mr Butler was able to deliver a homily on economic realities which caused many traditionally Tory businessmen to squirm uncomfortably and to make that reputed stronghold of Conservatism—the Stock Exchange—vibrate fearfully; but for the nation as a whole it brought thankful reassurance that action was being taken to stem inflation and stabilise the cost of living.

Mr Macmillan had an easier task in his foreign affairs survey in assuring the party and the people in slightly less sanctimonious terms that there would be peace in our time. And it was left to Sir Anthony Eden, finally, to throw a winning smile at the assembled gathering and to restate future policy in his admirably lucid and concise manner to bring a considerable part of the electorate to its feet cheering and proclaiming its support and approbation for the Prime Minister.

Sir Anthony's review touched on many topical problems. The most important revelation was the proposed cut in the armed services. By 1958 this will amount to more than 20 per cent. To begin with, it would be wrong to regard this simply as an attempt to emulate the recent Soviet decision to reduce its armed forces. Economic considerations—particularly the need to reduce Government expenditure and to release more manpower for industry—were perhaps uppermost in the Cabinet's mind.

THE cut has also been made possible by a reappraisal of the needs of the services in the atomic age. A greater reliance is now placed on modern scientific weapons. But the decision also has obvious political significance in the international sphere which, in association with Western disarmament proposals and the plan to extend a security system to the whole of Europe, reflects the Government's desire to reduce world tension.

The Prime Minister is expected to enlarge on his proposals in Parliament. Until then little more can be said except to applaud the move—particularly the decision to reduce the National Service intake—as a welcome indication of what Sir Anthony Eden described as "less immediately acute international anxieties" in Europe and the Far East. To this extent, his message was addressed to an even wider audience than the British public; it brings hope, even cheer, to the whole world.

HARDING'S PROMISE

Social And Economic New Deal For Cyprus

Beware The Vodka!

British Goodwill Sailors Warned

London, Oct. 9. Sailors aboard the 18,000-ton British aircraft carrier HMS Triumph have been told not to drink more than two glasses of vodka and not to join in dangerous Russian "bottoms-up" habits when they arrive in Leningrad on a naval goodwill mission.

While pushing their way through the murky weather of the Baltic today the 970 sailors studied a list of do's and don'ts drawn up by Capt. V.S. Begg, commander of the Triumph.

This is what they learned about "peaceful co-existence": "Peaceful co-existence is the current solution to marked differences between the Communist half of the world and the free nations of the West."

"Do Be Careful!" The visit to Leningrad affords an opportunity not only of making friends with the Russian navy and people, but in doing so, of helping to end the cold war, Capt. Begg said. But he added:

"Do be careful about drink." Two glasses of vodka, he warned, should be the limit at any one session, and the Russian's "bottoms-up" toasts has dangers.

Ending on a note of limited cheerfulness, Capt. Begg said that Russian beer is drinkable and safe, but it costs nine shillings a bottle.

Spending money of the Triumph crew will be the equivalent of one pound. The total goodwill fleet, consisting of the Triumph, two destroyers, one minesweeper and two other vessels, was scheduled to assemble off Copenhagen tomorrow for arrival at Leningrad on Wednesday.—United Press.

Two Dangerous Convicts Escape

New York, Oct. 9. Two "very dangerous" criminals escaped from the Connecticut State Prison today by scaling a 30-foot wall with the aid of a length of pipe they had been using to stake boilers as night shift workers in the furnace room.

"Anyone seeing these men should use extreme caution," the warden said. "Their records show them to be very dangerous." Warden George A. Cummings said the men—Herbert Brown, 34, New York City, and Walter Doolittle, 21, Hartford, Conn.—both serving long terms for robbery with violence, had been considered "trusted inmates" despite the fact they were dangerous.—United Press.

Police Spend 4 Hours Capturing Boy With A Shotgun

Marianna, Florida, Oct. 9. A 12-year-old boy was captured unharmed yesterday in an ironmonger's shop here after holding off more than 15 policemen for four hours with a shotgun which he never fired. The police were called out as the boy stood behind a plate glass window, brandishing the shotgun which he had taken after breaking into the store. Police said the boy had escaped from a juvenile prison a few days ago, and was chased earlier by police while he was driving a car which had been stolen. The car was wrecked and the boy ran into an alley shortly after midnight on Friday. He climbed on a wall and dropped through a skylight into the ironmonger's, said the police. The police fired one warning shot into the building, then used teargas. Rushing into the store, the police found the boy crouching semi-conscious behind a refrigerator. He was returned to prison.—China Mail Special.

New Deal For Cyprus

SELF-GOVERNMENT

Nicosia, Oct. 9. Field Marshal Sir John Harding, Governor of Cyprus promised Cypriot students in a broadcast tonight he would soon present the British government with specific proposals for the social and economic development of the island colony.

He warned, however, that "nothing can be done to further our prosperity if conditions or disorder present."

As he spoke to the Cypriots, who recently have demonstrated demanding Enosis (union with Greece), men of the First Battalion South Staffordshire Regiment patrolled streets of Nicosia to check any outbreaks.

He asked the islanders to reflect on proposals for self-government for Cyprus, which were submitted in London at a recent three-power conference of Greek, Turkish and British representatives. "I am fully aware that it has been represented to you that these proposals were wholly negative and slammed the door in the face of the people of Cyprus."

"This is not true. On the contrary they threw wide open the door to self-government and the path through that door is safeguarded."

"Beyond that the future is open. No one is asked to commit himself."

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A copy of the Governor's address was delivered to Archbishop Makarios, head of the Cypriot Greek Church and leader of the Enosis movement, in a sealed envelope half an hour before the broadcast.

Sir John Harding said elimination of terrorism and intimidation was the first part of the task given him when he came to Cyprus as Governor last week.

He called on the people themselves to play their full part in eliminating terrorism. "Surely there can be no more worthy task than to participate in creating conditions wherein fear no longer exists and everyone can live in peace," he said.

A PROMISE. The British government's proposals outlined at the London conference hold out the promise that freely elected representatives of Cypriot people would take the main responsibility for management of their internal affairs.

The proposals also looked forward to a time when self-government having been effectively established by elected representatives of Cyprus will be in a position to express their views in the island's future to Her Majesty's government, Sir John Harding continued.

In the message delivered in English and then translated into Greek and Turkish, the Governor said he recognised the close cultural links of the Cyprus people with Greece and Turkey. "I hope too that Cyprus feels proud of her place in the British Commonwealth, which is the most powerful association of like-minded nations there has ever been in the world," he added.

He told the Cypriot people the future was already in their hands. "The road to peace and prosperity and self-government lies wide open before you. It is for each one of you to decide for yourselves what to do," he concluded.

Orthodox Church circles, commenting on the Governor's broadcast, stated "any proposal of the British Government which does not recognise self-determination for Cypriots is unacceptable to the Cyprus people."—Reuter.

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Conflicting Versions of How Hitler & Eva Died

Berlin, Oct. 9. Two men who were with Hitler to the last, back from ten years of Soviet captivity, have given conflicting accounts of how the Fuehrer and Eva Braun met their deaths in besieged Berlin.

Hedz Linge, Hitler's valet, told reporters today he was the last man to see the dictator alive in April 1945 and said goodbye to him and Eva Braun.

He said he felt the two alone in the Chancellery air raid shelter. Two minutes later he returned to find Hitler had shot himself and Eva had taken poison.

He said he threw a blanket over the Fuehrer's body and helped to burn it. But Hans Baur, Hitler's personal pilot, said last night at the West German reparation camp of Friedland, that he saw Hitler and Eva shoot themselves.

"The Fuehrer looked me gravely in the eyes, shook my hand, said goodbye and shot himself," Baur said. Eva Braun shot herself at the same time.—Reuter.

Stiff Fighting In Riff Mountains

Casablanca, Oct. 10. The 8,000 French troops in the Riff mountains today continued the offensive which they launched yesterday against 30,000 tribesmen, who rose in revolt one week ago.

More reinforcements were being rushed to the battle zone. The ten French battalions already in action are pounding mountains with heavy artillery in a bid to drive the rebel sharpshooters from their hideouts on the summits. The French even plan to use mules to reach them on the rocky mountain paths.

Midnight marked the hour set by the die-hard settlers' movement, French Protestants, for their one-day strike throughout the country in protest against the French government's reform policy for Morocco.

Thousands of leaflets distributed in Moroccan cities yesterday called on all European shops and employees to stop work in order "to show our strength so that we do not have to use it."

Hoarding Food. Previous strike calls issued by French Protestants in individual towns have resulted in a two-thirds stoppage of work among the European population.

As householders bought up stocks of food last night in readiness for the strike, General Andre Frauch, French military commander in Casablanca, said he would make certain that freedom of work and trade were respected.

French trade unions in Morocco and the Socialist Popular Republic and Radical parties last night denounced the French Protestants' strike call.

Police reported 17 terrorist attacks in Morocco yesterday, causing four deaths. Three of the victims were Moroccans shot dead in Casablanca, where Molotov cocktails were hurled at a European shop and a lorry was set on fire.—Reuter.

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Looters Arrested

Buenos Aires, Oct. 9. Police today announced the arrest of five men calling themselves the "Civil Revolutionary Junta," who had been looting the homes of Peronist officials.

The announcement said the men admitted stealing property worth more than \$40,000 from the home of former Air Minister Juan V. San Martin, and taking "other objects of less value" from the home of ex-Senator Antonio Antinori.—United Press.

FLOODS BEGIN TO SUBSIDE

New Delhi, Oct. 9. Flood waters which have devastated Northwest India for five days began to recede today.

Indian government officials said the total death toll may run into thousands and eight thousand head of cattle had been drowned.

Damaged to India's cotton crop was estimated at \$10 million and to paddy and maize crops at \$3 million.

The floods in India are described as the worst in living memory.

Reports flowing into New Delhi said that in the Amritsar area, 60 per cent of the houses in rural districts had collapsed. The floods had broken through rail and road embankments and burst canal banks.

Delhi remains flooded and water from the swollen River Jumna swirled through low lying bays of Old Delhi, and across one of the town's main avenues.

Mr Nehru, the Prime Minister, flew over the devastated area today. In a broadcast he described the floods as "a colossal calamity." Probably such widespread floods had not taken place for almost 60 to 100 years.—Reuter.

Has Been Asleep Since Aug. 4

Milan, Oct. 9. Maria Grazia Gekker, 13, has been asleep for more than two months at the hospital of Gallarate, near here.

Doctors have so far not been able to diagnose her condition. At first they thought it was due to inflammation of the brain, but laboratory tests have ruled this out.

The girl was admitted to hospital on Aug. 4, after she had shown growing somnolence. At present her only signs of life are breathing and heart beats. Her legs are suffering from gradual paralysis. She is being fed indirectly.—China Mail Special.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY ON GOLF COURSE

London, Oct. 9. Kenneth Knighton (43) and Cecil Mari (42) were today at the fourth hole of a golf match at Alibon Park here, when suddenly Knighton collapsed and died of a stroke.

His opponent ran to his help but was struck down with emotion and died on the spot.—France Press.

Ike May Be Out Of Hospital Within Next Five Weeks

Denver, Oct. 9. Dr Paul Dudley White, the eminent Boston heart specialist, said today that President Eisenhower might be able to leave hospital in four or five weeks, but that it might be the first of the year before he could return to work at the White House.

Dr White talked to reporters after a series of weekend medical examinations of Mr Eisenhower, now being cared for at Fitzsimons army hospital.

The news conference, which outlined plans for gradually increasing President Eisenhower's activities, also followed two meetings between Mr Eisenhower and Vice-President Nixon.

Mr Nixon said Mr Eisenhower had asked, and the doctors had approved, a schedule to bring more Cabinet officers and more officials to Denver in the next few weeks.

Mr Eisenhower yesterday completed the first two weeks of recuperation since his heart attack, the period of greatest danger. Asked whether it could be said that now the President was out of danger, Dr White replied quietly: "Not 100 per cent."

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For the third week of the illness next week rest will still be advised. But the President's bed could be moved out on the hospital porch into the air and sunshine, where he could get a "beautiful view" of the Rocky Mountains.

CONFERENCE. A conference scheduled on Tuesday for the President with the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, should not last more than 15 minutes but "this is not going to be a rubber stamp affair." The President is going to be allowed to express his opinions.

He would be allowed to sign letters of his own, rather than those that have been prepared for him by others.

If all went well, there may be another short business conference later in the week.

The fourth week—the doctors were going "to get him sitting up more." At the end of the week, he may be "sitting up practically all day" either in bed or in a chair. If all went well.

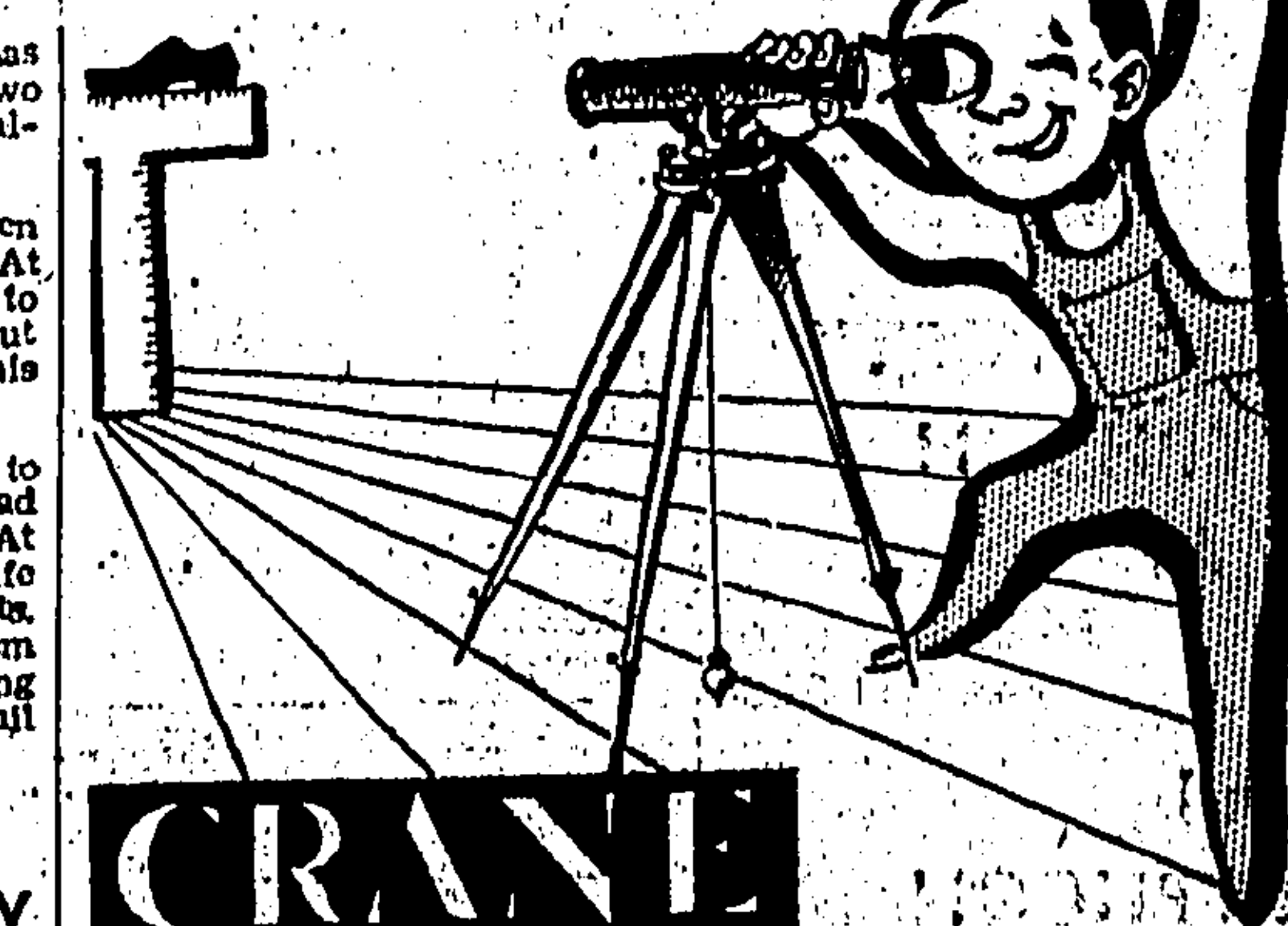
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MOLOTOV PUZZLES DIPLOMATS

Admission Of Error
A Rebuke
To Ranking Leaders

Moscow, Oct. 9.

Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov's surprise action in publicly admitting an ideological mistake was considered by diplomats today as a "definite rebuke" for Russia's four ranking leaders.

Publication of a letter by Mr Molotov in the Communist Party's important journal Kommunist yesterday was the subject of intensive speculation in Moscow. In it the Foreign Minister described as "politically harmful" a statement he made eight months ago.

Diplomats agreed they were baffled by the timing of Mr Molotov's letter—less than three weeks before he is due to meet with the Western Foreign

Ministers at the Geneva conference—and the apparent unimportance of his "mistake."

Mr Molotov said he had been wrong, when addressing the Supreme Soviet in February, in saying that the foundations of socialism had been built in Russia when Communist Party theory holds socialism already exists.

Mr Molotov's recantation was published only in a magazine read chiefly by Communist Party officials and no mention has yet been made of it in Pravda or other newspapers.

Importance

An editorial in the same issue of Kommunist, in which the Foreign Minister's letter appeared, did not mention Mr Molotov but said the Communist Party attached "tremendous importance" to the "correct Marxist evaluation of the contemporary stage of the struggle for communism."

The article continued: "Therefore the party reveals the theoretical groundlessness and political harmfulness of attempts to transfer to present period formulations and characteristics applicable to a stage long past and to present the matter as if we had built only the basis of socialism, which means the foundation of socialism."

Diplomats noted that Kommunist said: "Such an affirmation ignores real life and minimises the great ideological, political and economic achievements of Soviet society and of our regime."

"It can bring harm to the cause because it distorts the prospects of development and leads to under evaluation of the forces and possibilities of socialism."

This appeared to oblige in Moscow he even stronger than Mr Molotov's recantation.

Some diplomats said Mr Molotov's mistake might be taken at face value as a genuine slip of the tongue, and that it was corrected because Communist Party members queried his apparent departure from normal party theory.

The new development was nevertheless considered in diplomatic circles as a "definite rebuke" for Mr Molotov, who has hitherto been considered to rank in the Communist Party only after Nikita Khrushchev, the Communist Party Secretary, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, the Soviet Prime Minister, and Anastas Mikoyan, a Deputy Prime Minister.

All Resources

In its editorial Kommunist said that in deciding its movement forward, the Communist Party "proceeds from the unique correct Marxist characteristic of the contemporary stage of development as a period of the completion of the construction of a socialist society and gradual transition of socialism to communism."

Communists believe that socialism, in which all resources are owned by the people, has already been accomplished but that the next stage is full communism under the slogan "From each according to his ability, to each according to his needs."

Canadian sources in Moscow said Mr Molotov was due to meet the Canadian Minister for External Affairs, Mr Lester Pearson, at 10 a.m. on Monday and was scheduled to give a formal reception for the Canadian Minister on Monday evening, China Mail Special.

Paris, Oct. 9.
France's first-aid unit operated telephone box was opened to the public in a Paris street by Post Office Minister Edouard Bourdoux.

US PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Harriman Not Supporting Stevenson

New York, Oct. 9.

Mr Averell Harriman, the Governor of New York and often mentioned as a possible Democrat presidential candidate, said today that he feels no obligation to support Mr Adlai Stevenson for the presidential nomination at the Democratic national convention in 1956.

But Mr Harriman insisted that he himself would not be a candidate.

Speaking in a television interview, Mr Harriman said he did not believe that a man 64 years old (his own age) is too old to serve as president.

He also said he does not intend to enter the presidential primary elections next year.

Discussing Mr Stevenson's possible candidacy, Mr Harriman went further than in any of his previous statements on next year's convention.

Mr Harriman said that although he supported Mr Stevenson last year it did not mean he intended to continue that support at the 1956 Democratic national convention.

"I have no obligation to Mr Stevenson," Mr Harriman said. —Reuter.

HALDANE'S PREDICTION

London, Oct. 9.

Professor John Haldane, 62-year-old biologist, predicted today that deaths from nuclear radiation of atomic and hydrogen bombs already exploded could be expected to begin at once.

The professor, former member of the British Communist Party, which he abandoned four years ago, gave a Socialist Medication Association meeting here a warning of the effects of radiation, looming over future generations.

He believed that the total number of deaths to be expected in all future generations from atomic bombs so far set off would be between 10,000 and 40,000.

But the people who lived would be tougher than their ancestors.

There would also be some deaths in the first month of post-war life which would probably be well under a quarter of the total.

Other deaths would be from congenital liability to diabetes and various types of mental defect.

"These extra deaths may be expected to begin at once, perhaps increasing for 20 years or so and most should occur within 5,000 years," he said. —China Mail Special.

Rita Hayworth Meets Aly



Hollywood actress Rita Hayworth landed in France last week with her two daughters, Yasmine, 8, and Rebecca, 10. Rita, pictured here with the children, is in France so that Yasmine may live for six weeks with her father, Aly Khan. Shortly after the beautiful Hollywood actress's arrival in Paris, Aly took her to dinner in the hotel where Rita is living in a \$25-a-day suite, the Ritz. Aly left at 1 a.m. To reporters asking him about rumours of new romance between himself and ex-wife Rita, Aly said he had no comment to make. He admitted, however, there was "no reason why I should not take her to the theatre sometimes." And Rita? "Well, I am very friendly with him." —Express Photo.

NATO MINISTERS REVIEW FRONT

Paris, Oct. 10.

Defence Ministers of the 15 NATO countries begin a four-day meeting here today (Monday) at which they will review the military situation along NATO's defence front from Norway to Turkey.

The Ministers will first hear briefings from NATO military commanders on the situation in the various sectors of the defensive front. No decisions are to be taken.

The meeting is designed to permit an exchange of information which, it is hoped, will help the preparing of NATO's annual report, which comes out in December.

British Defence Minister Selwyn Lloyd is expected to brief his NATO colleagues on Britain's decision, announced yesterday, to maintain the two-year national service period but to make a cut of 100,000 men in the armed forces.

Diplomatic observers here expect the decision will tend to encourage some of the smaller NATO powers in their desire to cut defence spending. But the effect in this direction is expected to be less than that of a decision to cut the call-up period would have been.

French Report

Mr Lloyd is expected to point out that British Army strength is being increased by men returning from Korea, Suez, Austria and Trieste, so that the effect of the cut will be lessened.

Another report the Ministers will hear with great interest will be that presented by France's new Defence Minister, General Pierre Billotte, on the large-scale relation in the Riff and Middle Atlas mountains, which is expected to result in the despatch of still further French reinforcements to North Africa.

France has between 300,000 and 400,000 men in North Africa.

Africa, according to informed estimates. For security reasons the exact strength of her forces there is not given, but these estimates place it at almost half of her total armed strength—believed to be about 800,000.

This situation has caused some anxiety to some of France's NATO partners. General Billotte is expected to stress the importance of maintaining order in such a vital rear area as North Africa as a contribution towards the whole NATO defence effort.

The various internal threats to NATO solidarity which have appeared in recent months are not expected to be brought up at the meeting. These are the Cyprus question, involving Greece, Turkey and Britain, the anti-Greek riding in Turkey, Greece's vote to place Algeria on the United Nations agenda, and Iceland's abstention in that vote. —China Mail Special.

Perth, W.A., Oct. 9.
Mr Ben Collins, 42-year-old Australian, and his American wife arrived home today after a 20,000-mile land and sea journey round the world in their amphibious jeep named "Half Sato."

The couple left their vehicle in Calcutta and made the last lap of the journey by ship. They will tour Australia, then return to Calcutta to pick up the jeep and continue the tour. —China Mail Special.

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Who is "MISS JANE RUSSELL" of Hongkong? The search conducted by United Artists China Inc. of Hongkong, for "Miss Jane Russell of Hongkong," details of which were already announced in newspapers on 7th and 8th October, is continuing through to the 20th October. The publicity is worldwide. All eligible contestants are requested to send their letters to P.O. Box 293 Hongkong, and the necessary measurement and review will be subsequently conducted by Mrs. Parks of Paquerette and Linen Chest. The Panel of Judges will be announced shortly.

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BUT HE TOLD US LAST NIGHT THAT HE WAS OFF TO A SELECT BRIDGE PARTY
MA—THE COLONEL HAS BEEN DRINKING AGAIN!
RIGHT—I'LL COME AND BAIL HIM OUT

Butler's Monetary Policies

HARDING SAYS GOODBYE TO LENNOX-BOYD

CHURCHILL'S WARNING

Anglo-American Drift Fatal

New York, Oct. 9.

Sir Winston Churchill said in a recorded speech broadcast here tonight that if Britain and the United States were tempted to drift away from their "strong, bold and united front" it would lead to a "catastrophe such as mankind has never known."

He recorded the speech for broadcasting to the annual dinner of Freedom House on the occasion of receiving the organisation's annual award.

The award, a plaque, was accepted on his behalf by Sir Roger Makins, the British Ambassador.

After reviewing some past mistakes in Anglo-American relations, Sir Winston said when the two nations had stood together things had gone "more or less right" for them.

Owe To Unity

"Whenever we have drifted apart in the present century, we have met with calamity and we have had to come closer together to save ourselves from destruction," he said.

"What improvement there may have been during the past few years in international affairs, we owe to the unity of the Western world, and to the sacrifices we have made to maintain a strong, bold and united front.

"If this improvement continues, there may well be felt on either or both sides of the Atlantic, a temptation to drift apart again, and for nations to go their own way. Nothing could be more disastrous than that, and it would surely lead sooner or later to a catastrophe such as mankind has never known.

"It is probably true to say that our two countries are closer today than they have ever been before. That is the most significant fact of this postwar era, and so long as it continues so, we need fear no foe."

Freedom House was founded in 1941 as a symbol and centre of the struggle against the forces of tyranny. One of the founders was Mr. Wendell Wilkie, unsuccessful Republican candidate for president in 1940 and author of the book "One World."

-Paid Tribute

The plaque presented to Sir Winston was inscribed "for devotion to liberty, courage in adversity, leadership in victory." The central emblem on the plaque represents his coat of arms.

Sir Roger Makins, accepting the plaque on the former premier's behalf from Mr. Bernard Baruch, the American leader statesman, paid tribute to Sir Winston's achievements in peaceful causes as well as in his role as a great warrior statesman.

Vice-President Richard Nixon, in a message on behalf of the president said Mr. Eisenhower had been delighted to hear Sir Winston was to receive the freedom award.—Reuter.

Maryknoll Founder Dies

New York, Oct. 9. The founder of the Maryknoll Sisters died today at St. Vincent Hospital of an undisclosed ailment. She was 73.

Mother founder Mary Joseph entered the hospital yesterday. She founded the famed Roman Catholic missionary order of women in 1912. The order now has 1,100 members working in the largest American Roman Catholic missionary order. Members are stationed throughout the world and about 20 of them were imprisoned by the Chinese Communists.—United Press.

Zurich Women Want Vote

Zurich, Oct. 9. Most women of Zurich aged over 20 want female suffrage in Switzerland, though they disagree on the extent of the vote they want, the results of a poll showed.

But if they are eventually to get the vote, only a referendum among the all male electorate can give it to them.

And the men of Zurich have refused to give their womenfolk the suffrage on several occasions since 1919.—China Mail Special.

Algerians Issue Warning

New York, Oct. 9. Algerian Nationalists today warned the American Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, that any "intervention" by the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation into Algerian affairs would "only extend the Algerian war and reinforce our people's resolution in their noble struggle for freedom."

The telegram to Mr. Dulles, released to the press by the "Algerian National Movement" here, was signed by Messali Hadj, leading Algerian nationalist now under restricted residence in France.

The telegram said: "We are confident that our friends in America and Asia will naturally come to our aid if the NATO powers decide to choose instead of reconciliation, colonialism, instead of freedom.—France-Press.

Sibelius Award For German

Helsinki, Oct. 9. The Finnish "Waltari" Foundation today awarded its "Sibelius" music prize to the German composer, Paul Hindemith, at a ceremony in Helsinki University.

The prize, worth 7,500,000 Finnish marks (about \$30,000) was awarded to Hindemith for his work on the G major symphony, Op. 41, which was awarded to him by the prize. It is awarded every two years to an internationally famous composer.

The Waltari Foundation also awarded two prizes worth together 23,000,000 Finnish marks (over \$30,000) to professor Veto Hovi to allow him to continue research work into "the atom at very low temperatures" and to buy the necessary equipment for the Abo University.—France-Press.

Unsuspected Murders

Chicago, Oct. 9. Dr. Louis Regan, a doctor and lawyer, said today that unsuspected murders took place in numbers which "cannot be estimated" and went on "undetected because of inadequate medical participation in the investigation on deaths."

Doctors and lawyers said there were also uncounted numbers of "deaths due to accidents that are erroneously attributed to murder." In many cases this was because of weaknesses in laws in the United States pertaining to medico-legal post-mortem examinations.

A meeting sponsored by the American Medical Association is being held to discuss mutual problems such as medical participation in criminal investigation, malpractice suits and expert testimony in the courts.

Dr. Regan said that medical science participated less effectively in the administration of justice in the United States than in any comparable country in the world.

He said that in many jurisdictions "crude theories and practices ante-dating the achievement of modern science" were still in effect. One of these, he said, was "the still extravagant reliance upon the common sense of jurors, a faith that the ordinary man can judge, offend, matters which depend on scientific method and knowledge developed by a long session of research."—China Mail Special.

Attacked Unwise & Unfair Says Gaitskell

Margate, Oct. 9.

Mr Hugh Gaitskell, former Labour Chancellor of the Exchequer, charged here tonight the Conservative Government had allowed Britain to drift into economic troubles by its "free-for-all policies."

The Government, Mr Gaitskell said, made matters worse by a budget last April "which was as unwise as it was unfair."

"Now they tell us that the only way out is to cut public expenditure," he added.

Mr Gaitskell, who was speaking at a Labour meeting here on the eve of the opening of the Party's annual conference tomorrow, declared: "It is public investment in the national industries which is to be attacked—even though they include key industries the country whose expansion is vital to our whole economy."

Foolish

Labour's attitude was that if spending had to be cut back because of the "foolish" policies of Mr Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, "it should be the spending which is of the least value to the community now or in the future."

Mr Gaitskell said that if the British general election called by Sir Anthony Eden last May had been delayed until now, Labour would have won.

Because of the economic situation, "we should certainly not have had so much apathy," he said.

"That quick change artist Mr Butler, who has switched so suddenly from fairy godmother to stern father, now says that the credit squeeze is meant to hurt. Why didn't he say so last May?" Mr Gaitskell added.—Reuter.

(See Also P9)

CHURCH MEETING ON CYPRUS

Nicosia, Oct. 9. The Cyprus Eucharistic Council, the authority of the Greek Orthodox Church in the colony, meets tomorrow to face what political observers call "crucial decisions" on the Cyprus question.

Archbishop Makarios, head of the Church, will preside at the meeting, which will follow a secret session of the Eucharistic Council.

The Archbishop called this session following his second talk on Friday with Field Marshal Sir John Harding, the new Governor of Cyprus. Political circles said the meeting ended in deadlock on the question of right of self-determination for Cypriots.

At the meeting tomorrow Archbishop Makarios will report to the Eucharistic Council on details of his talks with the Governor, including the latter's replies on behalf of the British government.—Reuter.

BIG FOUR EXPERTS IN PARIS

Paris, Oct. 10. British, American and French experts will meet here today (Monday) to continue preparations for the conference of Big Four Foreign Ministers starting at Geneva on October 27.

The experts will carry on the work they began in Washington last month before the New York meeting between the Western Ministers, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Harold Macmillan, the United States Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, and the French Foreign Minister, Mr Antoine Pinay.

Following instructions from their Ministers, the experts will draw up proposals for reuniting Germany and setting up a European security pact. The Ministers will meet here on October 24 to put the final touches to the experts' report.—China Mail Special.

Reorganisation Of Indian States

New Delhi, Oct. 9.

A vast plan to redraw the map of India, reducing the number of its states from 29 to 16, was published here today by the Indian Government.

The plan was drafted by a States Reorganisation Commission of three, including a former Supreme Court Judge who has been touring India for the past three months to study the possibilities of changing state boundaries to group together peoples using the same languages.

The Government has not yet announced its decision on the Commission's report, but is expected to accept almost all the recommendations in full.

New boundaries will be drawn on the basis of language, culture, economic and administrative considerations, and replace boundaries of the days of British rule in India which, the report declared, were only governed by imperial interests or exigencies of foreign government.

But, the Commission adds: "The new boundaries must look to the welfare of the state as a whole."

The administrative set-up in strategic areas should be primarily determined by considerations of national security. It explains, when border areas are not under direct control of the centre, it would be safer to have large and resourceful units.

The report goes a long way to satisfy the demands of the various language groups, but two of these will be disappointed—the Marathi-speaking state including Bombay, and the Sikhs who wanted the Punjab formed of solely Punjabi-speaking people in which they would have formed nearly half the population.

Instead, the Sikhs have got a larger state which includes the Hindi-speaking hill areas, putting the Sikhs in a minority of one-third.

The report warns Indians against the disruptive dangers of regionalism arising from the division of the country into linguistic units. As one binding influence it suggests that English should remain, for the time being, the language of higher education.

Hindi is to replace English to a limited extent, but it is quite obvious that replacement of English by Hindi should be so phased that there may be no vacuum from the point of view of social and political inter-communication between different parts of the country and that the standards of higher education in the country are not suffered.

The Government hopes to rush through the legislation in time to complete the reorganisation before the January, 1957, general elections.

The six states proposed in the report are Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Assam, Orissa, Rajasthan, Bombay, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Hyderabad, Andhra, Madras, Jammu and Kashmir.

While deciding that the state boundaries shall be largely linguistic, the Commission has been careful to see that the security of the country as a whole is not impeded.

Thus, in the Northwest Frontier area bordering on Burma and China, the tribal

US FARMER SPENDS DAY WITH KHRUSHCHEV

Moscow, Oct. 9.

An American farmer who spent a day with Mr Nikita Khrushchev, Soviet Communist Party Secretary, at his Crimean seaside villa today described his unique experience as "very pleasant."

Mr Roswell Garst, a farmer and dealer in hybrid maize seed at Coon Rapids, Iowa, is believed to be the first Westerner to visit the Soviet Communist chief at his home.

In a telephone call from Kishinev, Moldavia, where he is now visiting, Mr Garst said he received the invitation to visit Mr Khrushchev's Black Sea home while touring the corn-growing regions of the southern Soviet Union as part of an exchange of Soviet and American farmers.

Seven Hours

He said he arrived at the villa about two o'clock in the afternoon and stayed for seven hours.

He spent two hours alone with Mr Khrushchev and they were joined for dinner by Mrs Khrushchev and her eldest daughter, aged about 30, and Soviet Government officials, including Mr Anastas Mikoyan, a deputy Premier, Mr Ivan Benediktov, Minister of State Farms, Mr V. G. Malsky, acting Agriculture Minister.

Mr Garst said that Mr Khrushchev, in his usual mood, engaged in general pleasantries about the United States.

He described the villa, as "very beautiful," and said the Communist Party chief told him it was built by a Russian duke before the revolution.

Very Valuable

Mr Khrushchev believed the exchange of Soviet and American farmers was very valuable and was interested in further exchanges.

The Soviet leader also talked about sending engineers to the United States shortly to study production there of hybrid maize which shows more promise than the Russian variety.

"They are extremely anxious to learn. I haven't been any place yet without finding a group of people who want to discuss practical corn-growing methods," Mr Garst commented.

He said Russia might be willing to spend 110,000 dollars (about £25,700) to purchase American hybrid maize seed to boost its farm drive.—China Mail Special.

Light Of Unity

"We have to consider the problem in the light of the unity, strength and prosperity of India."

"We cannot decide problems by appeals to passion or in a state of high excitement. Much less can we decide anything by a wandering away from democratic and constitutional processes."

"We would therefore earnestly appeal to everyone in India to approach this question with dignity and forbearance and in a spirit of dispassionate consideration. This is a hard test for us and our future might well depend on how we face it and deal with it."—Reuter.

Field Marshal Sir John Harding (left), Lady Harding, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd (Secretary for the Colonies) and Mr George Sinclair (Deputy Governor of Cyprus) photographed at London Airport before Sir John left for Cyprus to take up the post of Governor.—Reuterphoto.

NAZI BOOKS REMOVED

Frankfurt, Oct. 9. A group of West German publishers tonight took the law in their hands and forcibly removed from the stands of the book fair here a number of books on National Socialism.

The publishers had repeatedly but vainly appealed to the organisers of the fair for the removal of the books, which included a volume by Alfred Rosenberg, famous Nazi theoretician.—France-Press.

France On Threshold Of Crisis

Paris, Oct. 9.

Former French Premier Rene Pleven said today that France "is on the threshold of a great national crisis" which "endangers all of her overseas possessions."

M. Pleven, addressing the congress of his left-centre UDSR Party, spoke of the crisis in Morocco and Algeria and of the recent vote of the United Nations General Assembly, placing the Algerian question on its agenda.

He stressed that the French Government should urge the UN Assembly to discuss the "danger to peace" of radio broadcasts beamed to North Africa from Cairo, Spanish Morocco and Budapest.

Real Contribution

He said: "The disarmament of the airways could be the real contribution of the United Nations to the re-establishment of peace in North Africa."

M. Pleven also said: "As for Algeria, we should not necessarily accuse of being bad Frenchmen these Moslem Algerians who express a preference for a federal solution to the Algerian problem."

It would be no more inconceivable to see Algeria evolve by stages towards a status similar to that of a dominion, than to see it integrated into institutions which, conceived for Metropolitan France, are no necessarily adapted to the psychological and special traditions of the Moslems.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle

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- 3 Devastated (6).
- 4 Fire-rising (5).
- 5 Church-divisions (6).
- 6 Notice (7).
- 7 Prepaid (4).
- 8 Getting on in years (7).
- 9 Get ready (7).
- 10 Principal character (4).
- 11 Disperse (7).
- 12 Property (6).
- 13 Picture stand (6).
- 14 Standing (6).
- 15 Up-to-date (8).
- 16 Reigns (5).

DOWN

- 1 Museum piece (5).
- 2 Love out (5).
- 3 Daub (5).
- 4 Actual (4).
- 5 Minor (6).
- 6 Divers (7).
- 7 Direct (7).
- 8 Choose (7).
- 9 Voted (7).
- 10 Show up (6).
- 11 Berides (4).
- 12 Indifference (6).
- 13 Rubbed out (6).
- 14 On the move (6).
- 15 Sum (5).
- 16 Harzards (6).
- 17 Sligma (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 3 Marriage, 6 Vary, 9 Demanded, 11 Radiator, 13 Told, 18 Completed, 19 Delivery, 20 Merc, 21 Directed, 25 Subside, 26 Firm, 27 Dismiss. Down: 1 Avar, 2 Aird, 3 Abet, 4 Roar, 5 Addio, 6 Ended, 9 Dared, 10 Model, 12 Alone, 14 Nerve, 16 Trepid, 17 Diver, 19 Mused, 20 Hobbs, 21 Dice, 22 Rely, 23 Vix, 24 Damp.

SIR CAROL puts LA LOLLO on a rope...

Paris had to go off somewhere. I required the services of a guide to find her again. To make matters worse, most of the 60 show girls who were supplying the interior decorations had modelled their hair-styles and deportment on my elusive interviewee.

And they did not respond at all well to mis-addressed questions like: "Tell me, what do you really think about sex?"

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Vital clue

I get up, go over to her table. Who is she? I am thinking desperately.

Then as I approach her table I see the vital identifying clue.

Her magazine is open at a double-page spread of pictures of Gina Lollobrigida (I can read the name).

In a flash I know. No girl, except La Lollo herself, would spend a whole lunch looking at pictures of Lollobrigida.

It may seem inexcusable not to recognise Lollobrigida, the most published aspect of Italian life since Nero stopped throwing Christians to the lions and a more remarkable sight than the leaning tower of Pisa. But I have an excuse.

So many...

There seem to be so many Lollobrigidas around these days.

When I first met her this week at the Cirque d'Hiver, the Paris circus, I thought I must have wandered into the hall of mirrors. There were six of her—all identically dressed and all curved in the same places to the same degree.

Could it be that the Italian government now must manufacture Lollies to boost the export drive? Or had I had too many Pernods?

Neither proved to be the case. Lollobrigida is making a circus film in Paris called "Trapeze" and as she is a down-to-earth girl, in every sense, five doubles are needed to do the stunts on her behalf.

This relay-team of Lollobrigidas—including one man made up and padded in the appropriate places—will, I am assured, be indistinguishable from the Lollo who performs exclusively (and expensively) on terra firma.

I believe this. Whenever, during our conversation, Lollo-

brigida had to go off somewhere. I required the services of a guide to find her again. To make matters worse, most of the 60 show girls who were supplying the interior decorations had modelled their hair-styles and deportment on my elusive interviewee.

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Sequins

An assistant director came over and spoke to a member of the Lollobrigida entourage—she normally has a dialogue coach, two costume designers, a hairdresser and a husband in attendance.

"Please," he said, "can you see that Gina does not see pictures of herself while she is working. She gets too interested in them—and it holds up the whole production."

Lollobrigida said to me: "I must control what pictures appear of me. After all, I work with my face and figure..."

At this stage, she was called upon to work—with her face and figure.

In a sequined costume and fishnet stockings, she was required by the script to revolve in mid-air, hanging from a rope. In point of fact she did not have to do anything of the sort. A revolving platform had been built for her. All she had to do was to stand on it, hold the rope and revolve.

The chimp

Even so, they were all afternoon on the scene. Even the ever-patient, ever-gentlemanly director Sir Carol Reed began to show signs of exasperation.

"Gina, darling," he kept saying, "it is so simple. Just watch the girl do it—and copy her."

But darling Gina was finding it all very difficult.

"You must get somebody else to do it," she said. "I am not an acrobat."

The prospect of obtaining a seventh Lollobrigida did not amuse anyone.

by THOMAS WISEMAN

The comments all around were lively:

"She can't do it, she has no muscles."

"You want she should have muscles, too?"

"But it is such a simple rope trick."

I wish she would do the Indian rope trick."

But in the end Lollobrigida performed the rope trick to everybody's satisfaction. Everybody was happy. Even the baby chimp, who went slightly berserk and ran around his auditorium taking periodic swigs at a bottle of Coca Cola.

Even Burt Lancaster was smiling happily up at Lollo—and as it is his company that is making the picture (at a cost of £1,000,000), he should have been wearing a much more worried expression. You expect the film moguls to look worried.

But there was one person not looking happy. She is Mexican actress Katy Jurado—a highly talented girl and, like Lollo, fiery.

She said to me later when we were dining together: "That Lollobrigida and nearly choked on her food with fury. She gulped down a glass of champagne to help compose herself."

"You know," she said, "I tell Carol Reed: 'Mr. Reed, please I want to leave the picture. I give you back the money you pay me. I am not happy. That Lollobrigida—she think only she is somebody.'"

But has anybody thought of protecting the lion from La Lollo and La Jurado?

Everybody else is nobody. Always, Mr. Reed, you put her in front of camera and me you put in background..."

La Lollo herself remained diplomatically non-committal on the subject of personal vendettas—except in the case of the income tax people. They, she said, have a vendetta against her.

No Vendettas

She swallowed a headache pill and said:

"I do not have vendettas with other actresses. That is all invented. If an actress is better than me, I admire her. If she is not as good as me, I do not need to bother to have vendetta with her."

"Why I am successful? I have great will to be success. Also, perhaps, a little talent."

But this modest Lollo is not the whole Lollobrigida.

When she becomes angry even producers quail in their boots. "One producer," she told me, "he send me expensive jewels to make it up with me. I send them straight back."

Next week they will be filming a scene showing a lion escaping from his cage and breaking loose.

Elaborate precautions will be taken to protect La Lollo and La Jurado from the lion.

But has anybody thought of protecting the lion from La Lollo and La Jurado?

★ TONY CURTIS

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"YOU WANT SHE SHOULD
HAVE MUSCLES TOO?"

Of Mice And Medicine

By TREVOR KNIGHT

MEDICAL scientists can now produce thousands and thousands of mice that are as alike as identical twins. These mice, which, generation after generation breed true to type, are proving invaluable to research institutions studying cancer, infantile paralysis, yellow fever, leukaemia, the effects of various new drugs, and many other problems which cause suffering to mankind.

Most people tend to think that all mice are very much alike when, in fact, one mouse differs from another in almost as many characteristics as one man differs from another. To breed many thousands of mice which are identical in every way is therefore no easy problem.

But the American scientists who have achieved this remarkable medical feat have now reached a stage of accuracy where they know that only one mouse in 300,000 will not be true to type.

Why do medical research men require so many mice that are as alike as peas in the same pod? The answer can perhaps best be given by saying that the mice are used as measuring rods, or living test tubes. Because these mice do not vary one from the other, and are of constant quality, it means that if a large number are given a certain drug, for example, they will all react to it in the same way.

Constant Type

And, if a certain treatment is tried on one mouse, while an identical one is left untreated, the latter remains as a perfectly reliable direct comparison, and the exact effect of the treatment can therefore be accurately measured. In place of, of course, treatments are tried on large numbers of mice, and large numbers are left untreated.

These genetically and biologically constant mice, as they are called, are the "creation" of the Ruxton B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory, in Bar Harbor, U.S.A. Scientists at this laboratory have "created" no less than 60 different types of mice which all breed true to type with, as mentioned above, a variation of only one in 300,000.

Because there are these 60 different types, one type of identical individuals can be compared with other types of identical individuals under experiment. They are living material for testing new drugs and curative chemicals, new techniques and new ideas.

Creating a pure strain of mice so that they will remain reliably the same generation after generation requires constant breeding. Brother and sister mice are mated, and later with their children and grandchildren. This ensures reliable heredity so that the particular characteristics, or characteristics, for which the strain of mice are propagated, remain completely constant.

Predictable

The strains of mice produced by scientists at Jackson Laboratory have amazing characteristics. In one strain, for example, which is called the DBA Group, 90 per cent of all females will develop cancer of the breast, generation after generation.

Other strains will also produce desired diseases in definite, predictable patterns. The A Group female has a five to 10 per cent chance of developing a skin palatal, the AKR Group female will almost certainly develop leukaemia. These, and similar

human afflictions, are the fate of these animals from one generation to the next without variation.

Superficially, these experiments seem to be cruel in the extreme, but they all help in the vast accumulation of data which doctors hope, one day, will lead towards developing cures for dread diseases like cancer, leukaemia and polio-myelitis, which are as yet incurable, and which kill countless thousands of human beings year after year.

Nature, as might be expected, does not idly sit back and watch these thousands of identical mice being produced. Every now and again—in fact approximately once for every three-hundred-thousandth mouse born to one particular identical strain—Nature throws up a variation, known as a mutant. Scientists are always on a very close lookout for these mutants. They are a very valuable type of mouse because they are entirely new.

Eat More

One such mouse, which appeared at the Jackson Laboratory, is what is known as a biologically deficient, fat female, and cannot produce offspring in the normal way. Only when she receives hormone injections can she produce egg cells, which can then be removed surgically and transferred to a normal female mouse to be fertilised in the normal manner.

Some natural deficiency in this fat mutant mouse prevents the egg cell developing in the normal manner. But there is nothing inherently wrong with the egg, because it develops perfectly in the "foster" mother.

A sufficient number of these biologically inefficient mice have now been born to start experiments on them. It has been found, for example, that these mice not only eat more but usually choose fatty foods. This leads scientists to the conclusion that fatness, or obesity, can be inherited.

This conclusion runs counter to modern medical ideas which are that obesity is developed through acquired eating habits and not heredity.

If this is applied to human beings, as it might very well be, it might throw some light onto the problems of people who remain fat no matter what they do to counteract their obesity. Not very helpful to them, but it might help them to resign themselves to their fat fate.

Role of Heredity

Experiments that are being made on special types of mice are giving research doctors insight into the role of heredity and uterine conditions in the production of idiotic and other malformations in human babies when they are born. Mice of the A Group, for example, of which at least five per cent are born with cleft palates, are throwing light on this unfortunate malformation, which is the cause of tragedy in so many families.

Scientific and medical investigations in many parts of the United States and elsewhere find the 60 different types of identical mice invaluable in research programmes. More than 1,000,000 are produced every year by the Jackson Laboratory. Approximately one-third of these are sold at a nominal fee to other research institutions.

The present and future health, and even happiness, of mankind is to a large extent dependent on millions of humble mice which are sacrificed on the altar of medical research.



MRS. CROSBY

"Purpose and passion."

citizenship could be expressed at Delphi."

Submitting a bill to Congress that enabled buyers of U.S. Government Bonds to earmark their money for "peaceful, constructive uses only." "It was thrown out for obvious reasons," she says.

Then she looked at me and sighed.

"Young people are very pessimistic. It takes someone as old as I am to be an optimist today."

I said something to the effect that we were a terribly old young generation. That we were really right back to Boston and all that.

"You make me feel so young," she said.

THE REBEL (of the twenties and the fifties) WEARS SPATS

A woman like this makes me feel
so old says ANNE SHARPLEY

MRS. CARESSE CROSBY is of that still-young exuberant generation of the Twenties who make me feel very old. They were so rebellious they left us nothing to rebel about. They were so unconventional that we have had to take up conventions.

Her name—Caresse—an absurd, tender name. It used to be Mary until she met Harry Crosby and ran away with him to Paris from Boston.

In the early 20's she was Mary Peabody, a wife and mother. Her husband, Dick Peabody, was one of the altruistic family that interested itself in London's slums and founded the Peabody Trust.

"It was a pleasant life but it wasn't the unusual life I had when I met Harry Crosby," says the Mrs. Dick Peabody who, after her marriage was dissolved, became Caresse Crosby.

Sun worshipper

Harry Crosby was certainly unusual in the way that my generation can't get very enthusiastic about.

"He was strange. A poet, a sun worshipper, a self-declared anarchist," she recalls.

"We rebelled against Boethius and its stuffy ideas. We went to Paris to be ourselves." (How wonderful, one thinks, that Paris was so magnetic then.)

"I was a most conventional girl until I met him. I became a rebel worshipper."

"Wait a minute and I'll remember some lines I wrote to him," says the woman with eager eyes and grey hair, looking back 30 years to her rebellious youth.

Yours is a music, for no instrument.

Yours a preposterous colour unbelieved.

Although Harry Crosby began in his uncle's back in

Paris (Uncle, incidentally, was J. Pierpoint Morgan), banking was quickly exchanged for Bohemia.

The Crosby home became the place where "in one day" the visitor might find Salvador Dali in one room, Douglas Fairbanks, senior, swinging through the rafters of another, and D. H. Lawrence sunning himself by the pool.

Still reforming

Think of any name that belonged to international Bohemianism or cultured aristocracy from Max Ernst to Prince Orleans-Bourbon (and throw in Lawrence of Arabia or F. Braun for good measure) and Mrs. Crosby will have an anecdote.

What a rich, rebellious life it was. Living with a purpose, a passion. Lucky Mrs. Crosby to be able to call her autobiography "The Passionate Years." (I don't see any of my generation being able to lay claim to such a title.)

When in 1929 Harry Crosby took his own life, Mrs. Crosby continued the publishing house he had started.

"He was amazing at spotting things that were worthwhile before they were recognised elsewhere. I shared some of that talent."

So Mrs. Crosby kept right on spotting things, and after the war spotted the fact that writers like Jean Paul Sartre and Moravia should be translated into English.

She presented these and other writers and artists in a portfolio "that was my private idea of UNESCO before UNESCO was founded."

New Caresse

For the wonderful thing about Caresse Crosby is that she is still a rebel and reformer. (Save one three-year lapse when she married husband No. 3, Bert Young, a Virginia farmer who bred "blue-blood Herfords.") That marriage was dissolved in 1940.

Instead of the flaming Caresse of 30 years ago we have the new Caresse, dressed in a grey tweed dress and wearing of all

things grey suede spats. This is Caresse—Citizen of the World.

"I am one of the chief exponents of world citizenship, or mondialism as we call it. Half of my time since 1948 has been spent in following this idea."

Mondialism has led Mrs. Crosby into the following activities.

Renting a 350-roomed castle near Rome as "a centre where artists and writers talked about the possibilities of world government through the humanities." (Unfortunately the castle was bought by the Vatican "at a very high price" so mondialism moved elsewhere.)

Buying the promontory in Delphi, Greece, "where Socrates 2,500 years ago declared himself the first citizen of the world." (Mrs. Crosby has built a "Cycladic circle there with big stone benches where one can sit and contemplate the future and think about the past.")

Suing the Greek Government, who "didn't believe world

citizenship could be expressed at Delphi."

Submitting a bill to Congress that enabled buyers of U.S. Government Bonds to earmark their money for "peaceful, constructive uses only." "It was thrown out for obvious reasons," she says.

Then she looked at me and sighed.

"Young people are very pessimistic. It takes someone as old as I am to be an optimist today."

I said something to the effect that we were a terribly old young generation. That we were really right back to Boston and all that.

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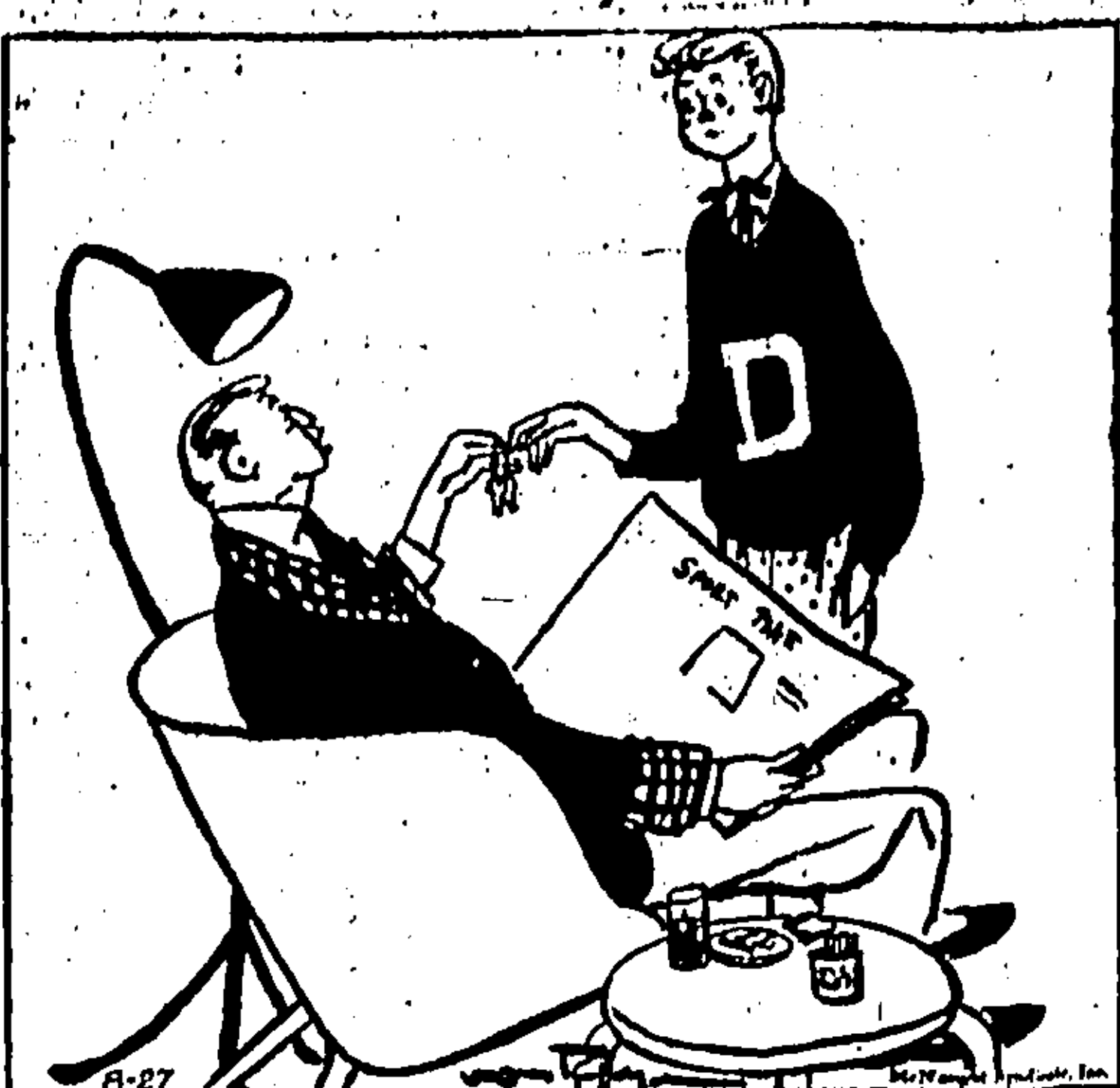
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Coldo
Even the slightest cold
is to be feared.
Do not let

This Funny World



I wish you'd bear in mind that it's a family car and therefore your mother and I are entitled to use it once in a while!

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

BORN today, you have strong determination and persistence. You possess a great deal of ability and strength of character. Your natural power and imagination draws people to you, but you have too unbridled personality to be universally liked and you can't help but make some enemies as you go through life.

There is a streak of restlessness in your nature which may push you from pillar to post until you have finally selected exactly the career that holds your interest and attention. In youth, you may be a romantic, but as you grow older, you face the bitter facts of life through glasses which are not so rose-tinted.

Since your intuitions are exceptionally keen, it behooves you to follow them implicitly. You women, especially, should take this advice to heart. You belong to the rare species of women who know how to keep secrets, so you are likely to become the confidant of all your friends. Look before you leap into marriage.

Among those born on this date are Helen Hayes and Jane Winton, actresses; Fritz of Nansen, explorer; Paul Kruger, President of the Transvaal; Benjamin West, painter; Herman Adler, psychiatrist; Kermit Roosevelt, author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If there is disagreement on a point of procedure with an associate, be patient. It will work out.

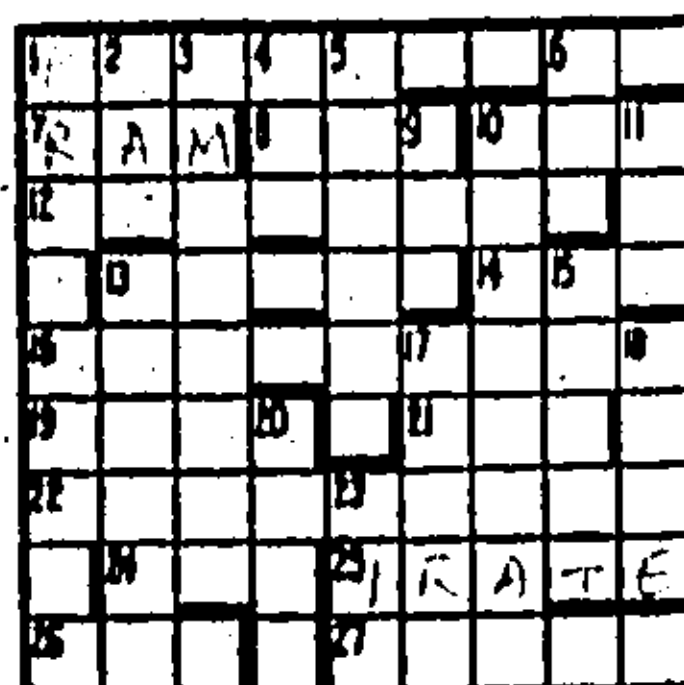
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Pursue someone a little envious of your progress will attempt to undermine you. It won't affect you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—It may take some time to gauge the significance of a new friendship. Don't be too hasty.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Your job may call for a new set of skills. You might take some initial courses in advance.

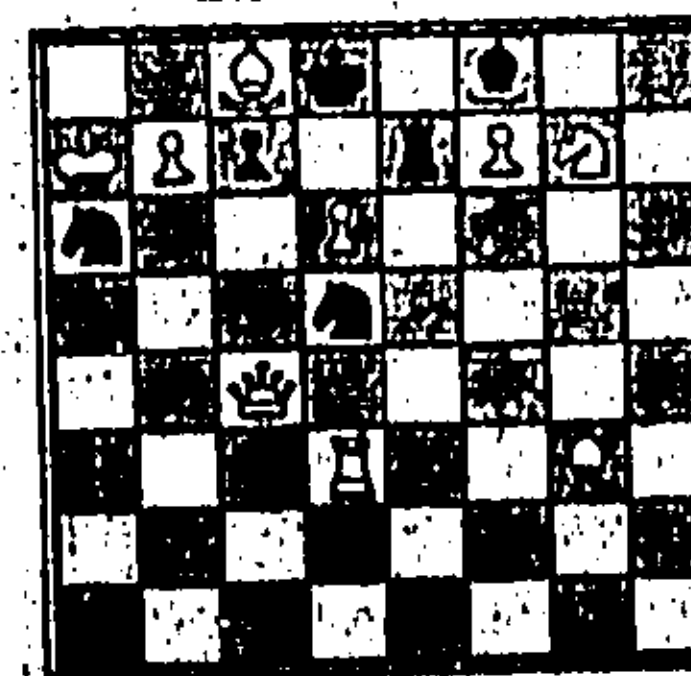
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If an expensive expansion plan is proposed, you may be quite within your rights to defeat it by a veto.

CROSSWORD



- Across**
1. Flirt. (9)
 7. Mar the return. (3)
 8. Often preceded by the first, (or) (10)
 10. Dry kind is doubly dangerous. (5)
 12. Heavenly! (8)
 13. Old Bailey calendar specialty. (5)
 14. Princess in bridal array. (3)
 15. Features sometimes are, today. (5)
 19. The horse in Spanish. (4)
 21. The queen's circle. (3)
 22. Not apparent. (9)
 24. Old reforms. (3)
 25. Angry. (3)
 26. Bow down. (3)
 27. Puffy one. (5)
- Down**
1. The O.O. plus the cup are found in the middle of the grey. (9)
 2. For food, good; for sailing, bad. (3)
 3. I'm a jail, this seems to say. (5)
 4. No part of the clergy. (3)
 5. They're no groundings. (9)
 6. A long time among the noon lights. (3)
 8. River partner for the Don. (3)
 9. Linked with doozy in the vista. (5)
 10. Make calm. (5)
 11. Go make an entry. (5)
 12. O that a country river. (5)
 13. Portion of the midshipman. (5)
 14. To appear. (3)
 15. G. I. a linked with victor. (3)

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. MADSEN
Black, 6 pieces.

White, 9 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.
Solution to Saturday's problem:
1. P-B3:1 N-R4:2
Q-R3:3 N-R3:4
K-B3:5

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Sparkling Play
Spares Trumps

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand, taken from last year's National Championships, was played by Norman Kay of Merchantville, N. J. For the last four or five years, Norman has been one of the leading tournament players of America, and at this moment he has won more master points in bridge tournaments than any other player for the year so far.

West led the nine of diamonds against Norman's very normal contract of four hearts. East put up the jack, and Norman made the kind of play that keeps him up among the leaders year after year.

Strange as it may seem, Kay refused the first trick! He decided that West was sure to have at least one more dia-

NORTH			
♠ KJ8764			
♥ 85			
♦ 103			
♣ A94			
WEST		EAST	
♠ A 1002		♠ 53	
♥ Q932		♥ 4	
♦ 92		♦ KQJ8754	
♣ 852		♣ 73	
SOUTH (D)			
♠ Q			
♥ AKJ 1076			
♦ A6			
♣ KJ106			
North-South vul.			
South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	2 ♦
3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♦ 9			

mond. That being the case, South was sure to lose a diamond trick sooner or later.

Think this over to prove the point. If South wins the first trick and later knocks out the ace of spades, whichever defender takes the spade ace will be in position to lead a diamond.

After that strange first trick, East continued with a diamond to South's ace. Declarer drew trumps with the ace and king, knocked out the queen of hearts, and had no trouble regaining the lead and drawing the outstanding trump, and setting up dummy's spades to discard clubs.

At most tables South lost the contract by winning the first diamond. When West got the lead with the queen of hearts, he cashed the ace of spades, led a diamond to the queen, and was assured of the setting trick when East led a third diamond. Whether South ruffed high or low, West was sure to win a trick with the nine of hearts.

CARD SENSE

Q—With neither side vulnerable, the bidding has been:
West North East South
1 Heart 1 Spade Pass ?
You, South, hold:
♠K10 ♣K1094 ♠A3 ♠A4QJ75
What do you do?
A—Bid three clubs. You are willing to play for game no matter what kind of overall North has.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠K10 ♣K1094 ♠A3 ♠A4QJ75
What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

GANGS of men with tiny whips, shouting "Yipee! Hoo-ee! Way-ee!" are rustling horses of mice across the Baling border, where "tattoos" from the Waterloo Road change the branding-marks and sell the mice to scientists.

At least, that is the only feasible explanation of the arrival in Ealing in the early morning of thousands of mice in mass formation. Law-abiding citizens hold their breath when a truck full of mice is driven into the town. At once, the truck is surrounded by a mob of tables right and left, shooting out the lights, and bawling at the waitress: "A double-milk, honey, and make it snappy, or I'll bust this joint wide open." Gee, folks, they come kinda tough in Tea Shop Guich.

Interplanetary bicycling

WE amateurs have our part to play in the interplanetary age. I have been reading of a man who has invented a special bicycle. It has a propeller and a rudder, and a pedal, and is lifted by "200 small balloons filled with helium." It occurs to me immediately (and I'm not of a very) that the next development may be a tri-cycle on the same lines. There is a picture of the aerial cyclist, and I attribute his anxious and rather unhappy look to the fact that he has forgotten the important part of the cycle, the important part is a small, with all the

Vanilla For Flavour

By ALICE DENHOFF

THERE'S fashion in foods, too.

Flavours and items that are popular for years suddenly are out of favour. But some things are perennial favourites, firmly enshrined in our kitchens for generations.

One of these is pure vanilla extract which has all the pungent, yet delicate, taste and aroma of the vanilla bean. Children love it and it does so well on its own or together with chocolate in delicious, healthful drinks.

To make a new drink, stir 1 tsp. mild-flavoured molasses and ¼ tsp. pure vanilla extract into 1 c. cold milk. Serve in tall glass.

Or mash 1 fully ripe banana until creamy and smooth. Beat in 2 tsp. sugar, ¼ tsp. vanilla, a dash of salt and ¾ c. cold milk. Serve cold.

★

For a really unusual drink, prepare Spanish Chocolate Sauce, a wonderful blend of chocolate, vanilla and spices. The sauce is stirred into cold milk or used to top cake or ice cream.

Melt 3 squares unsweetened chocolate and 2 tsp. butter or margarine over hot water. Blend ¼ c. sugar, ¼ tsp. ground cinnamon and ¼ tsp. ground nutmeg and mix with melted chocolate. Gradually stir in 1 c. strong coffee. Boil 5 min. for direct heat. Cool. Stir in 1 tsp. vanilla extract. Makes 1½ c.

Then there's the excellent idea of doing a caramel sauce and using that for delicious drinks.

To prepare ¾ c. of sauce, brown 1 c. sugar in a heavy skillet, stirring constantly until the sugar is brown and melted. Stir in ½ c. boiling water. At this point the sugar will lump, so cook until lumps are dissolved, about 5 min. Remove from heat. Cool. Stir in 1 tsp. vanilla.

For a special small-try treat that the grown-ups will demand, too, beat together 1 c. milk, 2 tsp. caramel sauce and 1 scoop vanilla ice cream. Serve in tall 8 oz. glasses.

WOMANSENSE

The bandbox look is a CHALLENGE

by EILEEN ASCROFT

WHY can an American woman step out of a train, car or aeroplane, without a hair out of place, while her English counterpart arrives looking weary and creased? The answer is the BANDBOX LOOK.

It comes from perfect grooming, natural neatness, and the taking of infinite pains over wardrobe care and dressing.

See America-born Lady Beatty in a roomful of Englishwomen and you will know what I mean. She is beautiful yes, with her bright blue eyes and tanned skin. She is elegant, too, and can afford to dress with the best dressmakers. But it is a kind of polished perfection, a peculiarly American quality, that sets her apart.

THE TROUBLE

Englishwomen could achieve this Bandbox Look if they would only take the same trouble.

When an American girl goes shopping, for instance, a material that does not crease is as important to her choice as the style. And she would never dream of travelling in a suit that was not completely crease-resisting.

She presses her clothes, too, before she puts them on—that is the reason for that extra crispness and finish.

No American woman would furnish a bedroom without one long mirror in a good light. That is for checking her all-over appearance before she goes out. Her mirror is a frank friend and prevents petticoats showing, twisted stockings and drooping hemlines.

HOW?

And how does she achieve that well-groomed look? She regards her dressing-table as her workshop, not just a place to display cut-glass scent sprays and family photographs.

Even before she leaves school she has learned that an efficient dressing-table must have good light, both day and artificial, and a stool of the right height because relaxation is important to beauty care and make-up.

She studies her skin and colouring, buys the best cosmetics she can afford after sampling them, puts them on with care and then forgets her face.

Another thing I noticed in America about the young girls. One night a week at home "to check my wardrobe and wash my hair" was a "must" with most of them.

A good tip this for the girl who wants to achieve that bandbox look. Pressing, sponging, stitching and cleaning take time and trouble, but they all contribute to shining perfection.

ANALYSIS

When you analyse the bandbox look, it is this... shoes that gleam, sparkling gloves, white accessories that are really white, no spots, stains or creases, shining hair, good clear make-up and no minor fashion faults—like uneven hems, missing button or twisted stockings—to spoil the general effect.

I met the other day the American writer, Thyra Samter Winslow, who is also a qualified dietitian. I asked her why middle-aged American women manage to keep their trim figures.

"Bathroom scales are the answer," she says. "Every home in the United States has a scale in the bathroom and women have the weigh-yourself-every-



For a young girl she has tremendous poise and wears her clothes with elegance. For herself she prefers tailored lines, particularly suits or skirts and sweaters, and her favourite colours are navy, speckled with white and all theinky blues."

Sandra is fond of sport, though her new 9.30-5.30 job doesn't give her much free time. But she keeps her 23in. waist by cutting out sweets and starchy, a pitfall for so many teenagers.

Here Sandra Russell wears the kind of outfit she likes best, a beige jersey two-piece from the Mattel autumn collection, with a trim-fitting waistcoat in gold and grey checks.

BLASE?

IS the modern girl losing the qualities of wonder and enjoyment? Are we young women about all we can get out of our lives and our work at home?

One of my older readers thinks we are. She is 61-year-old Mrs Mary Florence, of Manor Court Road, Ealing, and she writes:

"I often feel sorry for my grand-children, for to me, their generation has lost 'wonder.' As I look back over my 61 years, I think I have lived in the most wonderful years of this world's history, and surely the most progressive."

"I remember the first motor car, the first aeroplane, the first radio."

"I am still not blasé. The television is as amazing to me as all the other great inventions I have known and seen."

LOST—

Mrs Florence is right, we are losing some of the "wonder." Only occasionally today do we savour the same amazement and delight that we enjoyed as a child. The last time this feeling of "wonder" came to me was on my first solo flight. It is a wonderful feeling being all on your own for the very first time in the sky.

Teen Fads A Healthy Sign

A TEENAGED girl's dress can affect her mental well-being, one home economist says.

Eileen L. Dean of Southern Illinois University said teenagers believe being well-dressed means "wearing what other girls wear."

Actually, she said, mothers have reason to worry if their daughters don't conform with the latest teen fads.

"Such girls usually have a low estimate of themselves and tend to be self-effacing," she said. "They feel insecure and do not enter into group activities wholeheartedly."

Mrs Dean also warned mothers to avoid buying a girl expensive clothes that are beyond the family's financial reach or others in her "gang."

"Teen girls are quick enough to see that American class differences are represented by their dress, and parents should be on their guard to curb snobishness rather than nurture it," she said.—United Press.

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Merlin's Tree Friends

—Only The Mountains Were Taller Than Sycamore—

By MAX TRELL

"I WONDER what it feels like," Knarf, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name was saying to his sister Hanid, "to be a tree."

Hanid looked at her brother in surprise. "A tree?" she said. Just then, Mr Merlin the Magificent Magician, came along. He was dressed very jauntily in short leather pants, leather jacket, a hat with a feather in it and heavy walking shoes. He stopped, smiled and bade Knarf and Hanid a pleasant good-morning.

A Curious Thing

"Knarf was just wondering what it felt like to be a tree," Hanid said, after she and Knarf had returned Mr Merlin's cheery greeting.

"Now that's a curious thing," said Mr Merlin. "I was just going out to the woods myself and spend a day with my friends, Mr Elm, Miss Birch, Mrs Maple and old Grandfather Sycamore. Why don't you both come along with me? We'll ask my friends how they like being trees."

Nod And Bow

A few minutes later, Knarf and Hanid were walking down the road on either side of Mr Merlin. It was a cheerful morning and the birds were all singing. A fresh breeze blew over the hill and made the daisies nod and bow.

By and by, they all reached the edge of the wood. It was extraordinary what now began happening. As Mr Merlin led Knarf and Hanid into the wood, the trees seemed to hold out their arms in welcome.

In A Rumbling Voice

Then from deep inside the trunk of the elm came a low, rumbling voice which answered: "I'm feeling fine, Merlin. Thank you for asking!"

ask him," Mr Merlin said to Knarf.

Knarf said, addressing the Elm: "How does it feel to be a tree?"

Head In The Clouds

"It feels wonderful, my boy. I've got my feet on the ground and my head in the clouds." They walked on a little further. Then Mr Merlin greeted Miss Birch.

"You're looking splendid today, my dear," he said to the slender, graceful, grey-barked tree.

"Thank you, Mr Merlin," replied the Birch.

Then Knarf said: "What is it like, Miss Birch, to be a tree?" "It's like being a house," replied Miss Birch. "Chipmunks live in my cellar. An Owl lives on my porch. And the Robins live on my roof."

Old Grandfather Sycamore was the friendliest of all of Mr Merlin's strange, (yet not so strange) friends.

Night And Day

"I'm older than the oldest—the Sycamore said to Knarf. "In all my life, I've never moved from this spot. I've been here



"How are you feeling today, Mr. Elm?" asked Merlin.

day and night, winter and summer. I've only got one place... up! Only the mountains are nearer the stars than I am."

Mrs Maple and Mr Oak and a whole family of Pines invited Knarf and Hanid and Mr Merlin to stay and have lunch.

"It feels wonderful to be a tree," said Mr Oak. "Our leafy arms make it cool and shady. Would you like an acorn?"

As they walked home, Mr Merlin said to Knarf and Hanid: "One of these days, I'll have you meet my friends Mr Pear Tree, Miss Peach Tree, and Old Mr Apple Tree. What a treat they'll give you!"

Rupert and Dinkie—41



Rupert aims at the rope which is now standing at its full length with one end on the ground and the other among the leaves of the tree. "Now then," he says, "making the rope stick to the tree, my aim is perfect. Now, my friend, the rope is stuck to the tree, and go quick." So Rupert starts climbing and to his delight the rope doesn't even sway. "My, I must be as light as a feather," he says. "In a moment he is on the lower branch and looking up among the branches for Beryl and Janet."

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SOUTH CHINA-5, ARMY-3

SOUTH CHINA WIN DESPITE
A MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY
BY INJURY-PLAGUED ARMY

By I. M. MacTAVISH

What a rip-snorting helter-skelter, hell for leather game this turned out to be. Here was the sort of tussle that first of all coaxed, then encouraged and finally demanded that the spectators should open their lungs and shout... and the crowd at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon were only too ready to show vocal appreciation of the thrilling stuff from these two old soccer rivals.

South China took the two points, but the final score was somehow incidental to what took place on the field of play. From the inept lackadaisical outfit of recent games the soldiers were transformed into a slick hard hitting team.

They smashed into the South China defence from the opening whistle and, with only two minutes registered on the stadium's giant clock, they had the ball in the back of the Champion's net. A fine goal it was too.

Mullett started the movement with a slick pass to White who trailed it across field and wide of the home's goal, awaited the tackle, and as it came he slipped the ball across to McLoughlin in a flash it was tucked away behind Lau Kin-chung.

This time the South China boss to the quick. They raced into the attack but they found the Army defence in dour mood and goalkeeper Charlesworth in brilliant form.

AT TOP SPEED

The crowd soon warmed up to the pace of the play and as the ball travelled from one end to the other at top speed they roared and counter-roared. Near misses, brilliant goalkeeping, acrobatic man-to-man stuff from Yiu Cheuk-yin and Mok Chun-wah, and Morris back in his best swashbuckling form, all first class, what more could be asked?

South China kept up the pressure and brought comfort to their faithful followers in the 17th minute when Mok Chun-wah, from what appeared to be an impossible angle, somehow managed to squeeze the ball between Charlesworth and the post.

Equally brought no slackening of the pace of the game and in the 28th minute Morris put his side ahead with the kind of goal that sweeps the crowd to its feet. Again the move began with left-half Mullett who quickly passed a fast left wing movement. The ball went out to McLoughlin who beat his man on the run and sent a perfect "Walmsey" lob away to the far side of the goal.

The South China defenders watched it closely all the way, but suddenly a bolt out of the blue Morris rose in the air and sent a jet-propelled header screaming into the lower left hand

corner of the net... a magnificent effort that even drew a warm handclap from Tong Sheung.

The fat was really in the fire now. The home side threw everything into the attack but the cleverness of their inside forwards forced the play out on to the wings and so gave the defenders a chance to cover their charge.

TURNING PERIOD

The turning period of the match came in the 33rd and 34th minutes of play. First of all Lau Kin-chung made a brilliant save from a Morris hook shot that had God's written all over it and immediately afterwards McLoughlin made another long job goalmouth as another long job came from the left wing.

It dropped in front of him about 6 yards out. He failed to connect correctly and once again Lau Kin-chung scrambled the ball away.

It proved to be an expensive miss for the clearance was carried by Ho Cheung-yau who went off on a brilliant dribble. Boasting man after man he eluded on the goal and his finishing effort left Charlesworth without a chance.

A minute later South China were in the lead for the first time. The goal was a typical product of the "Terrible Twins", Mok Chun-wah and Yiu Cheuk-yin, and the little justice-less shot was brilliantly placed wide of Charlesworth's left hand.

Stark tragedy struck the Army in the opening minutes of the second half when Chalmers was taken from the field on a stretcher.

It was feared that he had sustained a fractured shoulder and he was sent to hospital immediately. While Chalmers was being attended to on the sideline Mullett's knee-injured in the recent KMB game-gave out but with the team already depleted he gamely moved into the centre-forward position.

Italian Jockey Wins
Europe's Richest Race
At Longchamps

Paris, Oct. 9.

The Marquise Intisa Dolla Rochetta's Italian three-year-old, Ribot, ridden by leading Italian jockey Enrico Cameli, scored a comfortable three lengths' victory in Europe's richest horse race, the £39,000 sterling Prix de L'Arc de Triomphe, run over one and half miles at Longchamps today.

M. Georges Wilden Stein's Beau Prince II, who finished third in this year's Doncaster St. Leger in Britain, took second place after a pre-race accident which forced a last minute change of jockeys.

Mr. Garcia, who had been engaged to ride Beau Prince, was injured in a fall in the paddock and J. Fabre deputized.

A virtual outsider, the Comte de Chambure's Picouada, ridden by M. Larriuan, finished third, two and a half lengths behind Beau Prince.

Mr. Marcel Bousquet's Kurun, one of four entered by this owner, was fourth, two and a half lengths behind Picouada.

Kurun was ridden by Charlie Smirke, one of four British jockeys with mounts in the race.

Ribot, making his first appearance outside Italy, where he is unbeaten, was held in second place by Cameli until the final stretch, where the Italian colt spurted to win unchallenged.

The favourite, M. Bousquet's Cordova, ridden by ace French jockey Serge Boulenger, was booed by the crowd for a disappointing performance.

FOREIGN ENTRIES

The three other foreign entries apart from Ribot—the English horse Elopement and Ireland's Hugh Lupus and Zarathustra—all failed to finish among the first ten.

Sir Victor Sassoon's Elopement, ridden by the young British jockey, Lester Piggott, who had won the first race on the Longchamps programme, finished 19th of the 23 runners.

Lady Ursula Vernon's Irish 2,000 Guineas winner, Hugh

Lupus, ridden by W. R. Johnstone, was 15th.

Last year's Derby and St. Leger winner, Zarathustra, ridden by Billy Rickaby, was 20th.

Ribot's owner will receive over 20 million francs (£29,000 sterling), with a further ten million francs (£10,000 sterling) being shared among the second, third and fourth to finish.

An estimated 100,000 crowd watched the race, run in brilliant sunshine with a faint breeze blowing across the track.

The turf was yielding after overnight rain but was not considered too heavy.—China Mail Special.

The spectators now sat back waiting for the inevitable goal avalanche, but with McLoughlin in the middle line and Morris and White chasing all over the field the soldiers still held their own.

WONDER SAVE

Around this time the biggest cheer of the afternoon greeted a wonder save by Charlesworth. Out of a group of South China players clustered near the penalty spot the ball was driven hard and true for a spot just under the cross bar. It was a great shot but across the goal shot a flash of yellow and somehow a finger tip edged the ball over the bar.

With Chalmers gone and Mullett virtually a cripple the other soldiers swung the ball about with power and accuracy and their enterprise was rewarded when McLoughlin, a high cropper to the far side of the goal, Mullett brought it under control, judged his distance, and sent a fine grounder under Lau Lin-chung's diving body to put his depleted side back on level terms.

The sympathy of the crowd was now very much with the Army. Every dash upfield was cheered yurd by yurd and first Mullett and then Morris very nearly got another goal.

The uneven struggle however was telling on the gallant defenders, and in the 75th minute Mok Chun-wah ran passed Hogan and sent a hard grounder across the face of the goal. The speed beat Charlesworth and Yiu Cheuk-yin put South China in the lead.

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LEAGUE CRICKET

The Champions Faltered, But That Wasn't The Day's Big Surprise

By "RECORDER"

League Champions KCC came a cropper in Saturday's Cricket League match against the Optimists at Chater Road. This did not come as a surprise to everybody. Carnell laboured for eight overs, disposed of two dangerous bats in Pritchard and Rowe, and gave away 50 runs. Macpherson, Leader and Leigh-Bennett were not as easily to be disposed of and contributed 118 runs between them to the Optimists' total of 181. Jenner and Wood put on 43 for KCC's second wicket and Fairhall contributed a useful 25, but George Rowe was effective with his offbreaks and KCC found themselves all out for a meagre 115. Optimists' victory was not as surprising as KCC's inability to muster up a more respectable total.

The visitors' total may have looked healthier had it not been for two men run out through careless running, but it appears that Optimists were a better team on Saturday afternoon in every department.

Pritchard and Macpherson bowled well and George Rowe was dangerous enough until he was run out through careless running, but it appears that Optimists were a better team on Saturday afternoon in every department.

At Happy Valley the improbable happened. Crispin's bowler, after a stand for the third wicket between P.H. Rags and H. Madar, which brought the score past the 50 mark, came and went in a fairly regular procession. Even George Souza went cheaply enough for four.

Tony Weller was not enjoying one of his better days with the ball, but L.L. Stanton with his spinners was being quite successful. He took five wickets in all for 45 runs, including Madar, Souza, Crispin and King. Seven wickets were down for 98 and Crispin's chances of even a draw looked bleak enough when in came wicket-keeper A.H. Ismail. Legends survive to this day of "Tarzan" Ismail having successfully knocked away at the leather for reasonably handsome scores in some old matches in the dim and hoary past.

But the ruling cricket clique at Crispin's, with their wealth of experience of the idiosyncrasies of Tarzan's batting, is not rate him better than No. 9 in the batting order.

TAKES PRIDE

Fortunately for Crispin, Tarzan takes great pride in his batting. If he survives the first two overs, he is not incapable to this day of contributing 20 or 30 to the score.

Unfortunately for the Scorpions, "Tarzan" Ismail was not feeling too happy at being pushed down to No. 9 to make way for batsmen who had impressed at the nets but had to deprive him of his place at No. 6 or 7. So Tarzan took it out of the leather to the tune of 57 runs.

Contrary to what one might expect, these were a chanceless 57 runs. Tarzan's square cuts and cover drives were executed at times even artistically and always with relish. Stanton was tiring when Tarzan came in, but he was still dangerous.

With J.T. King, Tarzan put on 33 runs for the 8th wicket. R.H. Manley helped him add on another 54 for the ninth and Billmorris, despite his broken bone, helped in a last wicket stand of 19 in which Bill had the lion's share of 15. The innings ended at 204 when Pat Dodge caught Tarzan off his own bowling.

The original Tarzan of the Edgar Rice Burroughs series often mauled lions. It would be interesting to know what the late Mr Burroughs' reaction would have been to a story of a Hongkong Tarzan who mauled scorpions.

Now, even 204 runs, a handsome enough total in local League cricket, is not normally enough to frighten the Scorpions, who boast of some quick batsmen rather than just run-getters.

NOT THIS TIME

Also, experience shows that George Souza is usually inclined to be over-optimistic in his appraisal of the talent at his command. About a fortnight ago George told us that Bull Dhabar had much improved his left arm medium fast deliveries and was a much better bowler than he has ever been.

It was George himself who disposed of Pat Dodge with the score at 25, but for once George had not been over-optimistic about Dhabar. Stanton proved to be the only threat in the side of Crispin's limited attack, which even had to use the injured Billmorris for eight overs.

Former KGV boy Dhabar totted away for 13 overs, with a short spell of rest. In his first spell he was mercilessly treated by Stanton, whose wicket he finally took, as well as those of Weller, Pearce, Roberts and Louch, a beg that the proudest maharajah would be proud of. Six wickets for 73 runs against the Scorpions represents a very solid afternoon's work. Roberts was hard to dislodge and the Scorpions kept scoring steadily all the way down, but they couldn't get beyond 175 runs.

They may have still made a draw of it, but they lost in going for the runs.

Such are the uncertainties of cricket that the IRC-Recreio match at Sookunpots did not prove to be the day's most interesting. It was, nevertheless, an excellent match played in the best spirit, even a noble gesture being thrown in as Arthur Rumbhah, with the visiting umpire's consent, recalled A.P. Gutierrez who had been given out leg before for two. Arthur was convinced that the ball had first touched Gutierrez' bat. Young Gutierrez showed his appreciation by turning in an apple, executed 37 that had about it the stamp of a batsman of the future.

One fact emerged from this match. Recreio's long-time standbys in the attack are not as good as they were. The years have slowed them down. They are still capable of taking wickets, even good ones at that, but not with the same monotony regularly.

WATCH OUT FOR "OZO"

An exception was H.L. Ozorio who, it seems, is determined to get a bagful of wickets this season now that the earlier bowlers are no longer capable of depriving him of his just share of the spoils. "Ozo" was very dangerous on Saturday despite his single wicket taken at the expense of 29 runs in six overs and spoiled a late attempt by IRC to raise their score to reasonable proportions.

Luigi Gosamo also had his good spells with the ball, but the newcomers did not impress particularly. L.J. d'Almeida, a slow to medium bowler who varies his pace and keeps a good length, and C.A. Gutierrez, an off-spinner, are good change bowlers by the standards of the First Division this season, but they are not aggressive enough.

Recreio's traditionally tight field looks even tighter than usual and IRC's later batsmen on Saturday, though enterprising enough once they got going, found many a boundary batted and many a well-timed hit stopped dead by good fielding.

The Indians' biggest weakness is in their fielding which allowed Mickey d'Almeida Remedios to reach 93 in another epidemic of dropped catches. Not that the 93 wasn't well executed. It just shouldn't have been permitted.

The Indians started badly after tea. The first 10 runs took half an hour and three batsmen were out for 12 runs. It may be said that George Ebert executed a large part in saving the day for IRC. He started rather shakily and even ignored

MOST UNUSUAL



It has been a very rare occurrence in the current European athletic season for a top German sprinter to be defeated by a non-German. One of these rare occasions came at the White City, London, on September 21 when Manfred Gerner, one of Germany's fastest men, was outrun in the 220 Yards by England's Michael Ruddy.—Express Photo.

ZANIER GOLF



It would appear that Paul Hahn, visiting trick golf shot artist, is trying to do two things at the same time judging by this picture our cameraman took at the Fanling Golf Club yesterday.—China Mail Photo.

Braves Whitewash Strong South China Outfit With A 3-0 Score

By "TIME OUT"

Before a capacity crowd at King's Park yesterday, Ed Carvalho's Braves whitewashed the strong South China outfit 3-0 behind a brilliant two-hit pitching performance by ace hurler Vic Pedruco. Jindo Hussain's St Josephs, still licking their wounds from last week's defeat, trimmed the US Navy nine 4-3.

Fast-baller Vic Pedruco, once again donning the familiar Braves' uniform, celebrated his opening game of the 1955/56 season with a two-hit shut-out over a speedy South China nine.

While Vic had the Chinese lads handcuffed, Braves' slugger Tony Gutierrez went to work on opposing hurler W. K. Wong for a home-run and a single in the two tries at the plate, driving in two tallies. Facing him in the batting department were Cal Yvanovich and Dick Chavez with a two-in-three each.

Ragged base-running by the Chinese squad saw many a South China rally fizzle out before their very eyes as the determined Braves, playing in Championship form, pulled off two double-plays and a triple-play to see their opponents dying along the base-paths.

With both sides going scoreless for the first inning, Tony Gutierrez opened the Braves' second frame by clouting one of Wong's favourite flings into deep left field for a home-run. "Tiger" Hussain then obtained a free ticket to first base when he was hit by a pitched ball, advancing on a wild pitch.

Dick Chavez then laid down a neat bunt, placing runners on first and third. R. Mattos lofted a fly that bounced off the mitt of short-stop Leung and Hussain scampered across with the second run.

QUICK RELAY

Vic Pedruco also got a life as his pitch was muffed, to lose the sac. Ed Laurence snatched a liner into the waiting glove of hot-corner guardman Seldon Ma who caught Chavez off base for a timely twin-kill. Lanky "Carlin" Yvanovich then beat out a bunt, but a quick relay to third nipped Mattos rounding the sack for the third out.

With both teams playing errorless ball, a series of scores decorated the scoreboard until the top of the fifth frame when the Tribe pushed in their "insurance" run as Junior Remedios got on through a fielder's choice, stole second and dented the rubber on slugger Tony Gutierrez' single to centre-field.

With a chance of coming back into the ball game in their fifth, the South China lads once again fouled it up with their ragged base-running as P. C. Wong who drew a pass after one out was nipped by catcher Mattos' rifle. throw across the diamond hurling W. K. Wong got muffed coming into third base on a passed ball.

The opening of the sixth saw Brave lead-off batter Dick Chavez, coming safely and scotching on third after one out, but Pedruco, next up fanned the breeze on three fast strikes and "Kid" Loureiro flew to pitcher Wong to leave Chavez stranded. Taking the field in the bottom half of the sixth, the Braves pulled off the first triple-play of the season behind the quick thinking of shortstop "Junior" Remedios. K. T. Leung walked and promptly stole second. Seldon Ma singled to short left field, placing runners on first and third.

SAME DISASTER

The end of the seventh saw the same disaster befalling the Chinese lads as Y.K. Chan settled at first on a fielder's choice and stole second. C. M. Teung then smothered one through the box, but once again the Braves were equal to the occasion, as pitcher Pedruco plucked it off the air and tossed it to second for the final out.

Sluggo Tony Gutierrez of the Braves walked off with batting honours with a masterful two-in-two attempt at the plate, one of which was a four-master in the second frame. Following closely on his heels were teammates "Carlin" Yvanovich and Dick Chavez who combed twice each in three trips to the plate.

Saints 4, US Navy 3

Still smarting from their defeat at the hands of South China last week, Jindo Hussain's Saints shaded a strong U.S. Navy contingent 4-3 in a fast-moving game.

The Saints started the ball rolling in the initial canto by brimming the sacks on two walks and an infield error. Dave "Bambino" Leonard's towering fly to leftfield was muffed and two runs came cavoring over the pan.

Uncle Sam's boys crawled back into the game with one run in the first one an error and a timely bingle, and one in their second, when after two outs, Fetter singled and romped all the way home when pitcher I. Jose's blunder to right was muffed.

Trailing 4-2 in the sixth, the Yanks only managed to push in only one tally in their remaining two frames to bow to a mightier St Joseph's outfit 4-3. The two senior "B" tussles slated for decision yesterday turned out to be drab affairs as the Comets swamped a weak Delawares nine 16-4, while the lowly H. K. University squad, trouncing them 25-2 in five innings.

LADIES' DIVISION

In the Ladies' Division, the Overseas lasses came close to a record when they massacred the novices. Tel Tung girls 41-3 behind a no-hit pitching performance by Y. L. Chan. The Overseas girls were at a hitting spree as they collected no less than twenty-six hits, of which three were home-runs and three were triples. Y. L. Chan herself paced the attack with a home triple and three singles in her seven trips to the plate.

LEAGUE HOCKEY

Sookunpots Were Unlucky In Their First Division Debut

Sookunpots, a new team in this year's First Division League, would have succeeded in registering their first victory of the season had fortune smiled a little kindly on their efforts against Recreio "B" at the Happy Valley ground yesterday. But misfortune overtook Sookunpots in the dying minutes of this closely fought encounter and a short corner in the 34th minute after resumption saw Recreio's A. P. Gutierrez Jr scoring the winning goal with the help of Yvanovich and Alonco.

This 1-0 score was all wrong. Sookunpots never looked like a beaten side until those last five minutes, but there in at least this satisfaction in defeat for them: they had given their opponents, now rated No. 4 in the First Division, a very close game and had proved that they are worthy of playing in the Senior Division.

Recreio "B" had played purposefully from the start. That small margin of superiority they held in the first 15 minutes was not good enough. They seemed determined to make good with an opening victory by as big a margin as possible and they were very lucky indeed to snatch a victory by a solitary goal.

NO LOOPHOLES

The Portuguese soon found their task was not going to be easy as the game progressed. Sookunpots were equally intent on a good display and the first five minutes saw them pushing back the eager Recreio attack with a cool, efficient defence which left no loopholes. Sookunpots were particularly dangerous on B. Mohammed's

Hockey Results

FIRST DIVISION			
R. Navy 'A'	1	KTC	1
Sookunpots	0	Recreio 'B'	1
Recreio 'A'	3	Nay Bharat 'A'	0
SECOND DIVISION			
Nay Bharat 'B'	0	Dutch HC	5
Army 'C'	3	IRC	3
University	0	HKHC	0

flank. They are indebted even more to their brilliant forwards—Omar, Hanif and Bux—who put in a dazzling and constructive display.

Play was fairly even in the early part of the match. Recreio's first raid came in the fifth minute when L. Sequeira worked the ball up and passed into the circle. Before the inside-left, A. Souza, could get to the ball, however, Sookunpots' full-back A. Salim cleared. Sookunpots retained riding on the left, but were stopped by A. Souza who beat Bux to the ball.

Recreio then went up and a well-placed pass from C. M. Xavier was missed by both Alonco and E. Xavier. A little later Sookunpots forced two corners but lost the scoring chance each time.

One more good chance for the Recreio's forwards went when Gutierrez missed with a wild shot on receiving just inside the Sookunpots' circle.

BUILDING UP

Up to now Sookunpots had more than held their own, but Recreio were building up their flanking raids and they would have opened the scoring had their forwards been more accurate in their goal attempts.

In the 10th minute Sookunpots' K. Dallah very nearly back-kicked a goal for Recreio, but fortunately for them, the ball sailed harmlessly off for a short corner which came to naught.

The Recreio goal came under attack for the first time in 18 minutes. Rahman's many centres were scrambled away and Sookunpots earned two short corners which yielded nothing. Once they had three forwards right up to the

WINNING GOAL

Sookunpots, determined not to be beaten so easily, hit back but they failed to make any headway despite the fact that they tried everything they knew to beat Remedios.

So ferocious was the battle that a goal had to come sooner or later. It was only a matter of time as to who would score first. With a minute to go, Recreio forced a short corner. A. A. Alonco, taking the shot, sent the ball out. Recreio's skipper, Yvanovich, stopped it for Gutierrez to slam it past Sookunpots' goalkeeper for the winning goal.

TEAMS

Recreio "B": R. A. Remedios; F. A. Vieira, Jerry, R. Medina, Yvanovich, E. Xavier; L. Sequeira, A. A. Alonco, A. P. Gutierrez Jr., A. Souza, C. M. Xavier.

Sookunpots: Kader; A. Salim, K. Dallah, B. Mohammed, Yusuf, Rahman, Omar, Bux, O. K. Dallah, Hanif, Hassan.

Australia Will Send Only 9 For Winter Olympics

Melbourne, Oct. 9. Australia, the host nation for the 1956 Olympic Games at Melbourne, will send only nine representatives to the Winter Olympic Games in Cortina, Italy, next January.

The Australian Winter Olympic team, which was announced tonight, comprises four skaters and five skiers. It is additional funds become available prior to the team's departure for Europe in the beginning of November, the team will be supplemented by more skaters and an Ice Hockey team.—China Mail Special.

New Zealanders Open Their Tour Of Pakistan

Karachi, Oct. 9.

Bowlers dominated the scores when New Zealand opened their first cricket tour of Pakistan against the Chief Commissioner's XI here today and 16 wickets fell for 201 runs.

Batting first on a true matting wicket New Zealand shot out the home side for 121 runs mainly due to two inspired spells by vice-captain John Reid, a 27-year-old all-rounder who claimed seven wickets for 28 with his medium paced deliveries.

But the New Zealanders did not make any better in their first innings and at the close had lost six wickets for 80 runs.

Reid again came to his side's rescue in the batting and was 44 not out at the close.

NEWCOMER Marmood Hussain, a last minute choice for the Chief Commissioner's team, took the first three New Zealand wickets for ten runs in a spell of six overs. His right-arm pace bowling and occasional inswingers brought him no further success, however, and the other three wickets fell to Aalam Khan, a newcomer to international cricket, at a personal cost of 20 runs.

Alimuddin's 33 was top score for the Pakistan side while Reid's unbeaten 44 was the best New Zealand batting performance.

SCORES

Chief Commissioner's XI, 1st innings 121.

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THE SOVIET-PERSIAN FRONTIER Finally Being Marked After 150 Years

By VINCENT BUIST

Teheran, Oct. 9.

Persia's northern frontier with the Soviet Union, which Russian troops have marched, galloped and clattered across ten times in the last 150 years, is now finally to be demarcated.

Border marking teams from both countries have moved into frontier areas and will tackle the job this month. It will take them almost two years to complete and will cost each country over 1,000,000 dollars (over £350,000).

Much of the 2,000-kilometre (1,200 miles) Persian-Soviet frontier lies across the peaks or shoulders of rugged mountains. Cement, barbed wire and stakes with which the boundary will be marked, will often have to be transported on mule-back by little-known trails and passes.

For some 150 years, notes have been passed between Teheran and first Saint Petersburg, then Moscow, about the frontier question.

Persian officials and Soviet diplomats have both stated that the frontier marking will end disputes and open a new era of friendship and understanding between the two nations. Agreement to mark the frontiers was reached in December last year when it became apparent that previous Soviet claims towards Persia had given way to what seemed to be a "Good Neighbor" policy. Since then, other Soviet moves, such as the return of the 112,000 sq. km. of gold, silver, technical and other aid, invitations for official tours of the Soviet Union, have reinforced the impression of good neighbourliness.

A NIGHTMARE

The 2,000 kilometres long frontier includes one stretch which has been a nightmare to Western strategists ever since the cold war began. This is a 250-mile length between the Caspian Sea and the point at which the Turkish-Soviet frontier joins the Persian-Azerbaijan border. The Persian Army has stationed its crack mountain divisions in this area since 1946 when wartime Soviet occupation armies rolled back into their homeland. But Persian defences at this point constituted the weakest point in the flank protection of Turkey, which in turn was the West's bastion in Asia Minor against the threat of Soviet aggression.

Western militarists feared that Soviet troops could punch a hole through Persia's Azerbaijan border, which west of Lake Van and outflank the whole of Turkey's heavily armed, well-manned eastern front.

Nowadays that fear has receded in view of the conciliatory attitude shown by Soviet officials towards Persia and other countries in this region in the past six months. Border marking will eliminate the risk run by hundreds of Persian peasants and nomads who have often wandered by accident into Soviet hands—and spent years in concentration camps as suspected "spies" and "saboteurs."

Until now, large stretches of the border on Persia's north-east have been both poorly marked and disputed.

FACED BY GUN

Shepherds chasing straying herds have found themselves looking down the muzzle of a Soviet Tommy-gun on hundreds of occasions in the last ten years. Villagers returning home after a bibulous night spent with friends in the next locality have stumbled into Soviet frontier patrols and disappeared into the vast hinterland of the Soviet Union, sometimes for good. In Czarist times, Persian border guards would wake up and find that overnight the frontier had moved southward—and that they were prisoners of the Russian Army.

Now the marking of the boundary will prevent these chance crossings. It will also legalise Russian conquests of former Persian territory since the time of Peter the Great, up

Admiral Rojas Sworn In



Rear Admiral Isaac Rojas makes his speech of acceptance immediately following his swearing-in at Government House as new vice-president of Argentina. Shown at right is the country's new president, General Eduardo Lonardi. Meanwhile, ex-dictator Juan Peron, for 10 years ruler of Argentina, is now in exile in neighbouring Paraguay, whence he flew under an Argentinian escort.—Daily Express Photo.

The Secret Life Of A Headmaster

Tokyo, Oct. 9.

Police arrested the headmaster of a Japanese primary school who lived a double life as a criminal.

The 40-year-old teacher confessed two robbery-murders, 12 attempted assaults, and 69 instances of theft. His career of crime went back five years.

On one occasion, he entered the house of a member of the Japanese parliament (Diet) and stole 220,000 yen in cash (£220 sterling) and a camera said to be worth 150,000 yen (£150 sterling).

He chose Saturdays and rainy nights for committing his crimes and hid his stolen goods both at home and at the school.—China Mail Special.

Juryman Want Tea

Wellington, New Zealand.

Court officials throughout the country are concerned by a request from Hamilton jury-men that they be given morning and afternoon tea while trials are in progress.

While practically everyone else concerned got refreshments at adjournments, jury-men could do little except smoke under supervision.

Officials pointed out the practical difficulties and the Hamilton registrar said police officers in charge of the jurors at intervals were required to swear that they would not speak.—China Mail Special.

Searching For Sleeping Sickness

Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, Oct. 9.

A sleeping sickness survey of the Kuriba area of the Zambezi River, where workers are busy on the first stages of the world's biggest man-made lake, has given the area a clean bill.

The Director of the Malaria and Bilharzia Research Laboratory, Dr. William Alves, said in Salisbury.

The team had taken about 1,000 blood films from European and African workers at the site and in the surrounding area. The films had been checked, and no evidence of human trypanosomiasis had been found.—China Mail Special.

Spanish Women Are Different Now, It Seems (they say it's because of American soda fountains)

By Henry Buckley

Madrid, Oct. 9.

The introduction of the American soda fountain to Spain has been a decisive factor in a far reaching change which has taken place in the customs of Spanish women.

That, at least, is the finding of investigators who have made a nation-wide survey of the subject for the weekly newspaper "El Espanol."

"The change in the customs of our women-folk is due as much as anything to the introduction of the soda-fountain," wrote Senor Diego Jalon, one of the investigators. "These establishments give women, who are shy of entering cafes or bars, a shelter where they can rest and refresh themselves after working or shopping. The soda fountains also employ large numbers of women."

The first soda fountain in Spain was opened in 1940, in the Calle de la Salud, in Madrid, by Gregorio Zatica, who decided to introduce into his own country milk shakes, hot dogs, fruit juices, club sandwiches, and other American specialties.

Today, in Madrid alone, there are some 100 such establishments, known as "cafeterias," although the self-service system is not used. When the first soda fountain opened in Spain's southern city of Cordoba not long ago, the local girls would not serve as attendants. Such work was not "respectable," they said. The proprietor showed diplomatic intent. He brought down a couple of girls from Madrid. The local girls then decided that if it was "respectable" for Madrid girls to serve milk shakes and ices then they, too, could do it.

Even in the north, where the level of culture is much higher than in Spain's desperately poor southern provinces, such problems arise.

The bus owner followed the example of the soda fountain owner in Cordoba. He brought in several girls from Barcelona—and the local girls soon changed their mind and took the jobs offered them.

The investigators sent out by "El Espanol" also stressed the importance of the impact of industrialisation on the growing independence of women. Women seek work eagerly in factories and in offices. At San Sebastian, it was found that teachers of shorthand and typing were in great demand by girls preparing to do office work. Although great deal of the secretarial work in offices has been done by men.

In some things, however, change is resisted. Present girls working on large estates in the south, make desperate efforts to avoid getting tanned by the sun. They wear trousers under their skirts, long sleeves, huge straw hats and gloves or mittens. Apparently, the southern Spaniards like their womenfolk to be white-skinned.

All over Spain, at least in the towns, it was found that the local women dress just as smartly as do their sisters in Madrid. The old phrase "She dresses like a provincial girl..." has lost all meaning in Spain, according to the investigators.

Formerly, black was almost the only colour used for women's dresses outside the large towns. Now, the countrywomen, too, can be seen wearing gay prints. Tourists may regret the disappearance of the regional costumes, but modern clothes are much more practical for the countrywomen.

Investigators found a girl in Granada who drives a tractor. In the same town, a cafe-bar sells coffee and sandwiches, ices and drinks at a bar divided into two sections: one for women, or women accompanied by men, and the other for men only. The number of women using the establishment has increased greatly. Formerly, the women did not like to go in. In this same town, the last town in Spain to be liberated from the Moors after nearly 800 years of occupation, it was found that the young women patronised a skittle-alley with a bar and dance-floor and dancing to a pick-up.

At Santander, a model farm was found which is run by the Falange Women's service, where the countrywomen are taught how to care for poultry, bees, and farm animals on modern lines. They are also shown how to plant and care for flower gardens. It was found that the former wives often influenced their husbands in favour of modernising the farms by acquiring tractors and other machinery.

Now In The Past
In the industrial areas of the northwest and the northeast, round Bilbao and Barcelona, the local girls will no longer take employment as domestic servants. The days when even a modest middle class family kept two maids are now a thing of the past. All over Spain, the investigators noted widespread sales of vacuum cleaners and other labour-saving devices to meet the shortage of servants.

The number of women who drive cars or ride motorcycles or bicycles has increased greatly in the last few years. Increased. An investigator asked one woman who is now an inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture: "Do you not think that women were better off when they only did housework? In those days, men moped up and gave them a seat in the bus."

The woman, civil servant replied: "I would rather have the independence which my job gives me—and stand in the bus."

—China Mail Special.

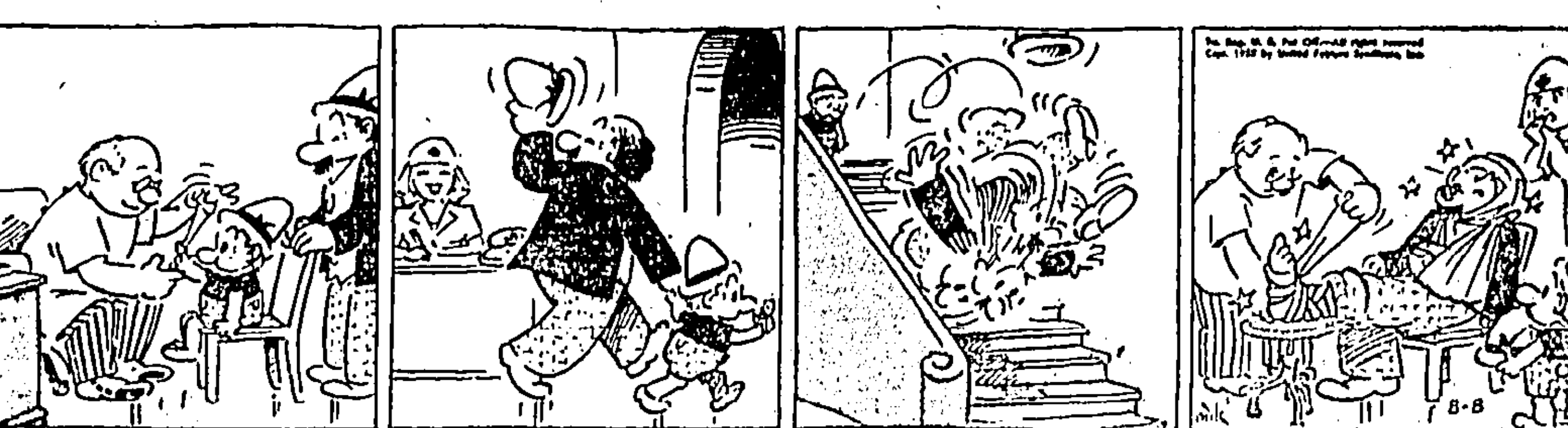
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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Britain's Position Not Desperate

BUT CREDIT SQUEEZE
WILL CONTINUE

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Oct. 9.

Twice last week, at Mansion House and at the Bournemouth Conservative Party conference, Chancellor Butler took pains to warn Britain that his credit squeeze will continue.

He implied a continued curtailment of overdrafts, cuts in official expenditure, discouragement of high dividend distributions as well as excessive wage claims.

He also indicated a drive to channel more goods from home to export markets to earn more foreign currency to pay for imports and increase gold reserves.

It was clear that goods in the engineering, electrical, textile and chemical trades, for instance, would have to compete with exports from the United States, Germany and Japan. British prices would have to be pared as low as possible to find buyers. This in turn would result in a drop of profits by manufacturers — which would help in the battle against inflation at home.

Mr Butler's statements were also in the strengthening of sterling in foreign exchange markets, in the rise in British government stocks, and weakening of industrial shares which were expected to record high levels of summer due to easy profits made within the country.

However, what the Chancellor cannot reveal until after parliament meets on October 25 are the exact measures he proposes to introduce to keep sterling firm, increase gold reserves and make Britain pay her way.

One thing is certain though. The fact that parliament is not being recalled prematurely to approve immediate action by the Chancellor, strongly hints that Britain's position cannot be so very desperate.

Nevertheless, the Chancellor's measures are expected to go well beyond the conventional reduction of bank overdrafts and a general refusal to grant credits to "blow away the froth."

While he has already appealed to all government chiefs to save in their ministries, he is likely to make concrete cuts in expenditure by nationalised industries, government offices and authorities.

HOUSING CUT

For one, the official housing programme will be slashed. Post-war shortage of houses is lessening, and with high earnings throughout the country, there is ample scope for more private building.

Again, with nearly a quarter of Britain's population living in State-built council houses, rent subsidies are likely to be severely cut.

More than three million families are receiving a yearly average aid of £15 totalling £75,000,000 which helps swell the present inflation. Yet many of these families are not in need of State help. The system came into force after the war to help a nation on new council houses at approximately the same level as on older ones. Now the problem is to find some new system where aid is granted according to the need.

Civil Defence is also likely to be cut heavily, in keeping with government belief that no world war is likely within 10 years at least. This means that certain plans, including the construction of a number of deep air-raid shelters as protection against the hydrogen bomb will be shelved indefinitely.

Rearmament will be scrutinised and a possible cut made in the two-year national service.

The road, railway and electricity programmes will be spread, however. Chancellor Butler's view is that efficient national economy demands an adequate transport network and power supplies.

CIVIL SERVICE CUTS

The Civil Service may be cut. There are thousands more officials than a year ago, or 250,000 more than before the war — an increase of 70 per cent over the 1938 figure, and observers consider many could be sacked and absorbed into industry to help the export trade.

Purchase tax may be increased or reimposed on a range of goods which could be exported.

The belief is, meantime, that if Mr Butler and the government take strong action in all these spheres to combat inflation and boost exports, foreign confidence will quickly revive in sterling and the government's capacity to maintain its strength.

Then reserves can be rebuilt as foreigners see that there is no longer any danger of devaluation. For safety they should be at least three or four times their present level of £837,000,000 — their lowest since May 1953.

The likely improvement in sterling was already becoming apparent to foreigners after the Chancellor's Istanbul speech on September 14, reaffirming "no devaluation."

It was reiterated by Mr Cobbold, Governor of the Bank of England, last week, when he asserted sterling was not overvalued but undervalued, which should give Britain safety margin in her exchange rate.

SMALL SURPLUS

And this was accompanied with Mr Butler's announcement that Britain had, for the first half of the year anyway, a small surplus current balance of payments.

Moreover, the £220,000,000 drop in gold reserves for that period was not entirely Britain's fault, it appeared. Part was due to Australia's spending spree; part to foreign speculators who had banked on devaluation.

Mr Butler's other news — that there was a £40,000,000 drop in gold reserves in September, was at least qualified by his statement that it was virtually all during the first half of the month.

The Chancellor, however, fully appreciated that his problem looming before him which may be extremely difficult to solve. It is gathering momentum by the series of wage claims by millions of workers, including miners, railwaymen, builders, engineers, and farm labourers. If they were all accepted, it would add £300,000,000 to national production costs.

Behind these claims lies the pressure of high living costs and the workers' belief that profits are so big that industry can meet any demand whatsoever. Encouraging them also to demand more pay is the present state of over-full employment in which employers are competing for labour.

Yet if labour's demands were even partly met, without a commensurate rise in output, Britain would find it hard to beat competitors in the export market.

And that would help start a vicious circle at home of inflation, high prices, high wages — and eventually unemployment — just what Chancellor Butler is trying to avoid.

GERMAN
TARIFF
REFORM

Bonp, Oct. 9.

The West German Government has put a tariff reform bill before the Upper House, thus implementing two decisions of the Co-ordination Committee of the Council of Ministers of the European Coal and Steel Community.

The bill stipulates that imports of crude iron containing only traces of vanadium and titanium from countries outside the Community should be excluded from the one per cent duty on vanadium crude iron. The low tariff is only to be applicable to crude iron with a vanadium content from one-half to one per cent and a titanium content from 0.3 to one per cent. Where the contents of these two metals are lower the duty is to be 10 per cent.

The bill also excludes electric rails fitted with a conductor of non-ferrous metal from the ECSC joint market. The duty on such rails is to be 18 per cent regardless of the country of origin.

The West German Government states that these changes are without practical importance for West Germany because there are virtually no imports of crude iron with a small vanadium and titanium content, while domestic production of electric rails with non-ferrous conductors is adequate for West Germany's needs. — China Mail Special.

The Bank Of France
Statement

Paris, Oct. 9.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended Sept. 29, reads as follows:

Total gold holding	201,241,591,420
Foreign currencies	15,248,211,618
Private deposits	200,000,000,000
In ECU	217,300,000,000
Advance to Stabilisation Fund	1,091,074,569,710
Bank note in circulation	2,092,533,400,250
Current accounts and deposits	130,299,068,224

— United Press.

The Bank Of England
Statement

London, Oct. 9.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended Oct. 5 reads as follows:

Note in circulation	1,700,200,400
Public deposits	21,200,000
Private deposits	27,700,000
Government securities	270,274,000
Other securities	23,200,000
Reserves	2,000,000
Ratio	9.0

— United Press.

NEW YORK
COTTON
MARKET
REVIEW

By Elmer Walzer

New York, Oct. 9.

Cotton prices remained on the defensive for the fifth week in a row, suffering losses up to a 81 a bale before the market regained a measure of stability.

At Friday's close the list ruled 10 to 184 points—50 cents to \$9.20 a bale—lower than the preceding week.

With increasing favourable crop advices acting to magnify the existing glut-sized surplus, the market kept running into a heavier volume of hedge selling and liquidation while trade buyers, anticipating still lower prices, operated with more caution.

On Monday, prices broke the allowance daily limit of 200 points—\$10 a bale—on all positions, the widest slump suffered for any cotton in history in the five years. The drop swept all positions to seasonal lows.

PRIVATE ESTIMATES

The chief upsetting influence was the issuance of a private crop estimate for 14,240,000 bales. Placed alongside of the September official figure for 12,973,000 bales, the figure looked astounding, traders said.

The government third crop estimate of the season will be the government report which will bear out the private crop indications. Some quarters noted recent complaints of excessive rains, with damage to open cotton over wide sections of the belt, plus increased boll weevil activity. But other observers believed any real damage from these caused happened after the first of the month and would not be likely to show up in the pending report.

One survey noted that while cotton is being grown this year under rigid acreage allotments, it is quite possible that a considerable amount is being grown on any "undisclosed and unreported acreage."

Weakness at Liverpool added momentum to the domestic price slide. While the big American crop estimates were a factor, sentiment overseas was additionally upset by President reports about a possible US raw cotton exports subsidy, and fears that a Soviet-Egyptian arms deal could involve cotton which might be put on the competitive world market. — United Press.

Singapore
Stock Market

Singapore, Oct. 10.

Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

Batu Lintang Rubber Co. Ltd.	11.00
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U.S. COTTON
EXPORTS

New York, Oct. 9.

Raw cotton exports by destination as reported in sales by the New York Cotton Exchange for the 1000-000 season to Oct. 4 were as follows:

— United Press.

US EXPORTS
DECLINE

Washington, Oct. 9.

The government reported today that exports of merchandise declined in August to a total of \$1,227,400,000 — the second lowest month of the year. The August total was about six per cent above August, 1954, but 20 per cent below last year's average and also below the July, 1955, figure, the Census Bureau said.

Total merchandise exports for the first eight months amounted to \$10,141,100,000 compared with \$10,148,000,000 for the January to August period of 1954. — United Press.

HONGKONG
STOCK
EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange for a morning amounted to \$330,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HSBC	1730	2	1730
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Australian
Loan In
Canada

Montreal, Oct. 9.

Australian Treasurer Sir Arthur Fadden is making plans to float \$15,000,000 in government bonds in Canada to help finance a programme of capital development now in progress in his country.

Sir Arthur met with Montreal investment dealers yesterday at the Montreal Stock Exchange to provide them with background information on the early offering in Canada of \$15,000,000 issue of 4 per cent, 15 year Commonwealth of Australia bonds.

4½ Per Cent

Mood, Gundy & Co. Ltd. will head the syndicate of investment dealers which will offer the bonds at the expected price of \$99½, providing a yield of 4½ per cent.

The programme makes the first direct negotiation of foreign securities on the Canadian market.

Proceeds of the issue will be used to help finance power projects and transport and port facilities.

Sir Arthur said that the rapid growth of Australia made it necessary for the government to supplement its country's own capital resources with loans from the World Bank and other countries. — United Press.

Exchange Rates

— United Press.

LONDON MARKETS
Heavy Industrial
Stock Selling

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Oct. 9.

The rising market in government stock and foreign bonds last week contrasted with heavy selling of industrials which reached its peak on Friday when investors and speculators dumped shares wholesale. With no buyers of industrials, prices tumbled between three shillings and five shillings and sixpence on the one day.

Behind the slide was the belated recognition that Mr Butler's big squeeze will halt the rising trend of dividends and perhaps lower them in some cases. So shares which have been forced up to stand on a three per cent yield basis on hopes of forthcoming increased dividends are now sliding as operators realise that they have to wait for a long time before the easy money days returns.

Even the bluest of blue chips joined in the fall as operators expected that profit margins would be squeezed as more goods were forced into the export market by the Chancellor's money policy.

For investors were valuing them in terms of the present, and not potential future yields. Against this, government stocks have been returning to favour and the pound is becoming firmer as home investors, and also foreigners, realised that the Chancellor is determined to strengthen sterling and restore a favourable balance of trade.

War Loan three and a half per cent closed at 78 and one eighth, a rise of one-and-a-half on the week. Two-and-a-half per cent Consols rose to 87, also a gain of one-and-a-half points.

In foreign bonds, Japanese assessed 1930 gained two and a half points to 184.

Insurance Weak

Banks failed to follow the glided loan but did not slide with industrials. Insurance shares finished weak in line with industrials.

Amongst the worst sufferers were recent favourites including "atomic" shares, oils and copper.

Associated Electric, with a large stake in Britain's atomic future, came back over the week six shillings to 75. 6d. General Electric three shillings to 59s. 3d.

In oils, Shell tumbled in shillings to 122s. 6d. and in copper, Rhodesian Selection Trust finished four shillings and sixpence down at 45s.

Even gold mines did not withstand the general malaise for speculators were selling Kaffirs to help pay losses on the tumbling blue chips which they had over-bought.

He said, "It is of hope to be able to provide a trade channel to develop the Japanese potential for supplying the US market with a variety of consumer merchandise at attractive prices. When this is firmly established we expect to include the products of other countries in Asia." — United Press.

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London Silver
Price Soars

London, Oct. 9. The sterling price of silver reached its highest peak in 35 years in London last week when it touched 80½ pence per fine ounce.

In the 1920 which followed World War I the price reached 79½ pence per fine ounce.

The London market price is a reflection of the soaring US price where at one end of last week it was quoted in New York at 92½ cents per fine ounce. While moving in sympathy with New York, the London price fluctuations have been more moderate. Russia has sold and the Continent has shown more interest, no doubt owing to the interruption of supplies from the United States. — United Press.

WEEKLY
U.S. TEXTILE
MARKET

By William T. Plunbitt

New York, Oct. 9.

The cotton cloth markets this past week, both grey and finished, navigated on an even keel, weathering uncertainties stirred up by the stock market gyrations and the steep plunge in raw cotton prices.

While converters, garment manufacturers and some piece goods buyers were prone to a little slow as new buyers mill executive viewed the pause in demand as temporary. Their confidence was buoyed quite a bit as they looked over their big backlog. Veteran observers estimated 90 per cent of the fourth quarter production has been earmarked for consumers and about 65 to 70 per cent of the first quarter output.

Sheetings, cambrics, drills, twills, broadcloths, jeans and other fabrics also showed a firm price basis.

Spinners shared the optimistic view held by the majority of weavers. The sales yard market ruled "a little quiet" after the cotton market rumpus on Monday. But the effect was momentary. The heavy orders booked through the fourth quarter have put mills in a comfortable position, to they did not see "any alarming consequence" likely to result from the wide cotton price swings. — United Press.

Our Weekly Market Review

Further Falls On
Wall Street

New York, Oct. 9.

Stock prices declined sharply again last week and they finished at about their lowest point.

Trading followed virtually the same pattern as the previous week in the Monday session. However, the drop was much smaller, and the volume was down sharply.

The lower volume was seen as the only saving grace for the market. Daily average trading fell to 2,102,523 shares, against 4,358,092 shares in the previous week.

At the close of the week the industrial average was down 16 points to 464.41, off 12.21 points on the week. The week before it lost 20.83 points.

Rails Lower

Railroad shares fell to their lowest point since April 4 at 151.00, off 4.05 points on the week. In the previous week the group fell by 5.23 points. Utilities lost 60 cents on the week against 2.86 points in the pre-week.

It was estimated that the dollar loss in the two weeks amounted to about \$12,000,000,000 on the valuation of all listed issues.

So far, according to the experts, the market has per-

formed in a normal fashion after a wide break. There was a rally followed by a secondary reaction which tested the previous low.

Many feel the tests have not been sufficiently strong to give a clear indication of future trends. Some see a possibility of more selling. The major point in favour of the market during this week was its dullness. In Thursday's session, the slides were the lightest since August 22.

No group was spared in the decline although late in the week, there appeared to be resistance developing in some departments of the market.

The groups meeting support included the aircrafts, mercantiles and electronics.

Wall Street experts said the market had been hurt severely by the wide break in the first session following President Eisenhower's illness.

The best market analysts hoped for a quiet, narrowly moving list for several weeks while a new base was built for a recovery movement. — United Press.

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OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

New Criticism Directed At Canberra

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Oct. 4.

Our national capital, Canberra, has been the target for all sorts of reports, cracks and hits since it was conceived some 40 years ago and now another has been added to the list.

It is the report submitted by a seven-man Senate Committee which spent 10 months investigating Canberra's development and administration.

And it should be said here that the Committee did its work thoroughly, that it delved and pried, that it hit and did its best to unearth — which makes even more a pity the fact that it, too, will go into a pigeon hole of forgotten things just as soon as departmental decency permits.

The report hits trenchantly at almost every aspect of past and present administration of Canberra and planning for its future development.

It says that all Governments and all departments have failed in the job of developing Canberra as Australia's administrative centre.

The report made 76 specific recommendations, which include:

- Appointment of a Canberra Authority under a commissioner to replace the present control, which is divided among numerous government departments.

- Definite planning to complete the transfer to Canberra of Government Departments now in Sydney and Melbourne. (This is an old case and has been discussed time after time, but Government Departments, being actually far more powerful than Governments, have so far resisted all pressure, preferring the witchery of Kings Cross and the mud of the Yarra to the bush of the national capital).

- Transfer to Canberra of the High Court, the Federal Arbitration Court, the Commonwealth Bank and the Australian Broadcasting Commission. (Faint hopes).

- Ministers should make their permanent homes in Canberra during their term of office (even fainter).

- Steps to establish in the capital a national art gallery, a school of fine art to train artists under scholarships, a national theatre, a conservatorium of music, an opera house and a zoo.

Enormous Waste
"The enormous waste of public money and lack of departmental efficiency occasioned by the carrying on of administration between Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney, should not be allowed to continue indefinitely," the report states.

Senator I. A. C. Wood, a Liberal of Queensland, is one of many who think Canberra is on the nose.

Dismissing from the Senate report, he called the design of Canberra "un-Australian and impractical."

He said the design was of French origin, created so that French kings could fix their guns on pivot points and shoot down the streets.

Housing Shortage
What hasn't been stressed is that the housing shortage in the national capital is creating a terrible slum problem where as many as 14 people are living in make-shift shacks.

One of these shanty towns — and there are several — is in a hollow less than 100 yards from the palatial US Embassy, one of the main tourist attractions.

American diplomatic officials are reported to have urged Commonwealth officials to have the settlement demolished, but no action has been taken.

The settlement comprises 64 weatherboard shacks, built over an area of only a few acres, and is one of the eyesores which has developed in a really lovely spot where neither time nor money should be spared, to say the least, to develop.

Far To Ground
This column last week reported how members of Parliament proposed to jack up their own salaries while asking the man in the street to ease up on his spending.

A silver-plated apology to the Prime Minister.

The next day, in his resume of dignified doings, he announced that the question of salary rises for members had been deferred until next July — a statement which brought cheers from the electorate and groans inside the party rooms.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I don't know whether I'm going to like school or not. Mom—I've had it pretty easy all my life!"

Air Travel Rates To Go Up

Miami Beach, Oct. 9.

First class fares will be raised on many world air routes to improve luxury travel, but second class and tourist class prices will remain unchanged, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) announced tonight.

IATA gave details of the final agreement reached in world-wide traffic conferences on the 30,000 fares and other commercial arrangements for operation of the scheduled airlines during the traffic year beginning next April 1.

Mr. Hugh B. Main, Chairman of the conference, said there will be a ten-dollar increase on the mid-Atlantic route between Central and South America and Europe.

EXCEPTIONS
Exceptions in the increases on first class fares were the routes from Australia to South Africa and Tokyo to New Zealand.

He said general air cargo rates would be increased slightly in some areas. Substantially lower charges for bulk shipments of specific commodities would be continued.

Competition
The world's largest retail store, Sear's, Roebuck and Co. of Chicago, is to invest an immediate \$1-million in the Sydney departmental store of Wollies, Ltd., and follow up with another \$4-million in the next five years. The name of the Sydney firm will be changed to Sear's-Wollies, Ltd.

Heads of other departmental stores say airily that they welcome competition, but there's a tightening around the corners of the mouth and a glint in the eye which indicate that in the near future there may be some drastic mark-downs to give Mr. Sear's-Wollies something to think about.

One-way Ticket
Ten members of the Australian battalion for Malaya have only a one-way ticket. They will never return to this country.

They are the 10 tough Alsatian dogs which have been trained for jungle combat.

The dogs will not be allowed to return to Australia because of the danger of them bringing in rabies.

The army labels them as killers.

New Air Services
Australian National Airways and Trans-Australia Airlines yesterday began tourist class services between Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane.

The fares are between \$1 and \$2 cheaper than existing travel fares, according to distance travelled.

Both airlines will use Sky-masters on the new service and will increase the seating of the planes from 44 to 60. Tourist class meals will also be simpler.

Overseas and Australian international airlines have for many years carried tourist class passengers, but these are the first services in Australia.

The horse laugh. The Postal Workers' Union is to ask the Postal Department to give three weeks annual leave and 12 days cumulative sick leave to all horses on the payroll. We expect the move will have the full support of the horses concerned.

JUDGMENT AWARDED TO 3 PLAINTIFFS

Judgment with costs was awarded three plaintiffs in their claims which were consolidated into one action for the return of deposits for alleged breach of contract in respect of the sale of silicon sheets before the Acting Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice J. R. Gregg in the Supreme Court this morning.

His Lordship also ordered that interest at 8 per cent per annum be paid from the date of the issue of the writ.

Plaintiffs were Chih Chen Company, 446 Alexandra House; Willie Trading Company, of 16 Queen's Road Central, fifth floor; and Doan Trading Company, of 41 Hennessy Road. They were represented by Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Mr P.D.A. Remedios.

Defendants were Mow Cheong Loong, of 14 Bonham Street West, who were represented by Mr Hugh B. Main, Chairman of the conference, said there will be a ten-dollar increase on the mid-Atlantic route between Central and South America and Europe.

Chih Chen Company claimed for the return of \$9,914 paid under a contract dated April 27, 1953 for the purchase of 10 tons of silicon sheets; Willie Trading Company claimed for the return of \$20,754 paid under a contract of the same date for the purchase of 20 tons of silicon sheets; and Doan Trading Company claimed for the return of \$15,428 paid under a contract also of the same date for the purchase of 20 tons of silicon sheets.

COUNSEL WITHDRAWS
Mr Yu informed the Court that he had been instructed that Mr Y.H. Chan, of Messrs Lau, Chan and Ko who formerly acted for the defendants asked leave to withdraw as he had received no further instructions. Leave to withdraw was granted to Mr Chan who then left the Court.

An order for the summons for the defence to be struck out was also made by His Lordship on the application of Counsel.

Mr Yu said that these were three actions now consolidated in one brought against the defendants for the recovery of various sums of money paid, under three separate contracts made by the respective plaintiffs with the defendants for the sale of silicon sheets.

Evidence would be given by each of the plaintiffs to the effect that towards the end of April, 1953, they entered into separate contracts with the defendants for the purchase of silicon sheets for delivery in Macao, that no delivery was made and that after various negotiations which went on until October, Willie Trading Company were promised delivery of half of their contract, i.e. 10 tons, and in respect of the other two plaintiffs, delivery of their contracts.

Plaintiffs decided that the partner of Willie Trading Company should proceed to Macao to inspect the goods on their behalf.

GOODS RUINED
Upon inspection at Macao, Mr Chu Yuen-hong of Willie Trading Company found that the goods were ruined and in a totally unworkable condition. The goods were not packed in one-ton sheet containers as contracted for, in fact they were not packed at all, said Counsel.

In these circumstances the three plaintiffs decided to reject the goods and demand refund of their deposits.

Mr Chu Yuen-hong, partner of Willie Trading Company, gave evidence of signing a contract with the defendants for 20 tons of silicon sheets for delivery in Macao, and to the payment of deposits amounting to \$29,654 paid under the contract.

He also testified to proceeding to Macao to inspect the goods and found them to be ruined and damaged. The goods were not packed at all.

Mr Yao Fun-chun, managing partner of Chih Chen Company, stated that he entered into an agreement with the defendants for the sale of 10 tons of silicon sheets and the payment of deposits amounting to \$9,914.

Evidence was also given by Fo Yeh-hing, partner of Doan Trading Company to entering a contract with the defendants for the sale of 20 tons of silicon sheets. He further stated he paid deposits amounting to \$15,428 under the terms of the contract.

The shell was removed by the Police Ballistics Officer for destruction.

ASSAULT AND WRONGFUL IMPRISONMENT TRIAL

Accused Says He Came To HK To Clear His Name

Franciscus Jacobus Vahrmeyer, 40, a native of Holland and a naturalised British subject, declared in evidence at the Victoria District Court this morning that his main objective in coming to Hongkong from Europe was to clear his name.

Vahrmeyer, charged with assaulting and wrongfully imprisoning John Martin, managing director of Martin and Co., of Singapore, told how he was imprisoned for two and half years in Holland and how a Singapore Court delivered a judgment against him, on an affidavit made out by Martin.

Jointly charged with Vahrmeyer before Judge J. Reynolds is William Norman Kears, 36, a security guard, of London.

Both men were alleged to have assaulted Martin on August 3 outside the Hongkong Club Annex and to have forcibly taken him to a flat in Tung Shan Terrace and there detained him against his will.

Mr J.W.D. Hobley, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Det. Inspector J.S. Howarth. Vahrmeyer and Kears are defended by Mr F.J. Griffiths of Wilkinson and Grist.

This morning, Mr Griffiths recalled that before the adjournment last Thursday, he had indicated that he had a secondary submission of no case to answer to make regarding a point of law.

His clients, however, had instructed him they did not wish to carry on with that submission. At the conclusion of his submission on the evidence on Thursday, His Honour had mentioned that some points in the evidence had needed some explaining.

Mr Griffiths said the accused were able to supply explanations for every point on the facts and they did not wish to rely on the legal aspect of the matter.

GIVES EVIDENCE
First accused then entered the witness box. He testified that on February 18, 1953, he left Singapore for Europe on behalf of Brennan and Co. to conduct a confidential investigation. It concerned a shipment of skins which had arrived in Amsterdam.

In Amsterdam, Vahrmeyer went on, he contacted a firm, Courtis and Co. and was told that the supposedly skin shipment had turned out to be salt and empty bags.

There was a man called Swaab. This man had been discharged from Brennan and Co. in 1952. He was never employed by this company.

Accused said he contacted this man Swaab in Amsterdam. Swaab was a skin expert. In the presence of his (Vahrmeyer's) mother he asked Swaab about the skins. In the course of the conversation that ensued, he asked Swaab where Martin was "hanging out."

He told Swaab he intended going to London to place the matter before Scotland Yard. But one hour before he left for London, he was arrested and charged with having participated in a fraud on information from Swaab. He immediately contacted Brennan and Co. in Singapore and asked them to send him files and correspondence relating to the skin transaction.

DUTCH PROCEDURE
Vahrmeyer said he received no information regarding payment for his defence in Holland. In Holland, he explained, the legal procedure was that the accused person had to establish his innocence; the prosecutor did not need to establish his guilt.

The investigations remained in the hands of the investigating judge while the accused remained detained, he said. He was shown a statement made by Martin in Singapore, together with an official letter from Inspector Riebo of the Singapore CID.

On the face of Martin's statement and the CID letter, he was sentenced to 30 months in prison.

Vahrmeyer said he remembered that in Singapore, Swaab one day came to his office and handed over some keys and a padlock. These were subsequently sent to Martin, enclosed in a letter. A letter was received from Martin, the day before Martin left Singapore on January 10.

Accused said the statements Martin made to the Singapore Police about his (accused's) letter with the keys being anticipated and Martin's statement about certain certificates regarding the skins were absolutely untrue.

WRIT SERVED
While in prison in Holland, he received a writ to appear in Singapore asking him to return monies allegedly obtained by him by fraud. That was in April 1953. He had no means of contacting anybody, until his wife returned to Holland.

Vahrmeyer said that eventually judgment was given against him in Singapore by default on Martin's affidavit. All the while, he tried to establish his innocence through additons. Brennan and Co. refused to send any information about the skins.

Accused said he was released from prison on April 5 this year. Being a British subject, and having a criminal record, he was deported from Holland as an undesirable alien.

He went to the office of Thomas Cook and Sons in London to fix up some travellers' cheques. He told them the whole story, with the result that he was introduced to Cook's solicitors, Stanley and Co., who spoke to barristers.

The British Ambassador to Japan, Sir Ealer Denning, arrived here from Tokyo this morning for a short holiday.

Sir Ealer will be the guest of Mr and Mrs John Kewick for four days, and will later stay at Government House when Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham have returned from Peking.

The Ambassador was met at the airport by Mr R. White, the Governor's ADC.

Mail Notices

The latest time of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 10
By Air
Formosa, 6 p.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Japan, 2 p.m.

By Surface
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, 4 p.m.
Korea, 4 p.m.
P. I. Area & S. Africa, 4 p.m.
Seychelles, Br. East Africa (N. & S.), Angola & Mozambique P/P via Beira, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11
By Air
Thailand, 10 a.m.
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
Guam, Hawaii, USA, 2 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Middle East, Thailand, India, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, & Europe, 6 p.m.

By Surface
Korea, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
China, 6 p.m.
Philippines, 6 p.m.

China, People's Republic, 9:30 a.m.
Thailand, 4 p.m.
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Italy, 11 a.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, New Zealand, 4 p.m.
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 9:30 a.m.
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Italy, 11 a.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, New Zealand, 4 p.m.
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 9:30 a.m.
Malaya, India, 11 a.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Central & South America, 3 p.m.
Macao, 3 p.m.

Stole Clothing From Line
Ho Ming, 19, unemployed, residing at 4 Wanchai Road, was charged with stealing six months' hard labour by Mr J. E. Durling at Central this morning for simple larceny.

Inspector Yeung Po-chi told the Court that at 12:45 p.m. on October 9, a constable received a complaint from Annan Shiao, a Chinese woman, and as a result he went to the roof of No. 3 Tsui Man Street. There he found defendant Chan complained that defendant had stolen her clothing from the drying line. The clothing was hidden under the water tank and was taken out by complainant in the presence of defendant and another man. Later defendant admitted the theft to the constable.

Ho had four previous convictions of them for a similar offence.

Refused To Pay Taxi Fare
Michael Pullan, a 21-year-old sailor from the HMS Newfoundland, was fined \$30 by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for failing to pay the fare of a public vehicle and for disorderly conduct.

Defendant was additionally bound over in \$100 for one year.

Insp. D. J. Carly said that on October 9, defendant hired a taxi at Wai Chai Road and directed it to Queen's Road Central. There he refused to pay the \$2.10 showing on the meter. An argument ensued and both Pullan and the taxi driver were taken to Central Police Station.

At the station, defendant began berating the taxi driver and finally the two struggled, and had to be separated by the officers.

Pullan's senior officer said in Court that defendant might have been drinking. He said that this was the first time the sailor had been in trouble of this nature. Defendant had been in the Colony since Friday.

Radio Hongkong
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6 Time Signal and Programme Summary:
Children's Half Hour presented by Elizabeth (Studio); 7:30, Australian Magazine; 8:45, Computer (Studio); 9:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 10:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 11:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 12:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 1:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 2:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 3:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 4:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 5:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 6:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 7:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 8:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 9:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 10:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 11:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 12:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 1:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 2:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 3:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 4:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 5:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 6:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 7:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 8:30, The Best of the Best (Studio); 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